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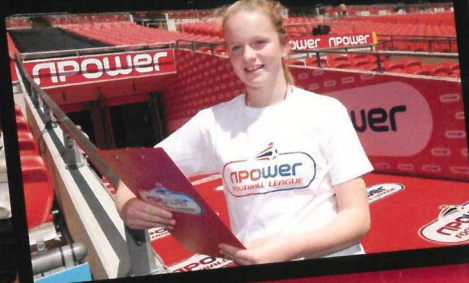
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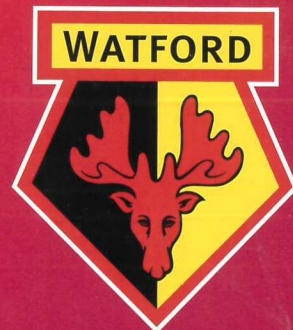
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Club Honours

Football League:

First Division – Runners-Up 1982/83

Second Division – Runners-Up

1981/82, Play-Off Winners 1998/99,
2005/06

Third Division – Champions

1968/69, 1997/98

Runners-up 1978/79

Fourth Division – Champions

1977/78, Promoted 1959/60 (4th)

FA Cup:

Runners-Up 1984, Semi-finalists

1970, 1984, 1987, 2003, 2007

League Cup:

Semi-finalists 1979, 2005

FA Youth Cup:

Winners 1982, 1989

Other:

Evening Standard 5-a-side –

Winners 1984, 1993

London Masters 6-a-side –

Winners 2011, Runners-Up 2008



(OPENING SHOT: SNOW WAY WE'D HAVE WON IT WITHOUT YOU!)

IT might seem a while back, but it really was only a fortnight ago that nearly 100 Watford fans showed a true community club spirit to help shovel snow from the Vicarage Road pitch and the stadium environs.

Online pleas for help from the club were heeded and, with a great team effort, the Huddersfield Town game was played as scheduled.

Volunteers, who were given a free match ticket as a thanks for their time, must have a slightly warmer glow than everyone else when that magical fourth goal was flicked home by Cristian Battocchio.

Thanks once again to everyone for the time and energy given here at The Vic.

GIANFRANCO ZOLA



HELLO EVERYBODY, and thanks for your support once again today.

Although it is now two weeks ago, the first words I write today must be about our fantastic supporters who helped clear the pitch for us so the game against Huddersfield could take place.

I knew it already, but this told me again what a very special club we have here at Watford. To have fans prepared to come and help, just because they wanted to, is something I really admire. For me, it shows a great connection between the club and the supporters, and this is a strength against which you cannot place enough value.

It was fantastic that the players were able to reward everyone for their hard work with the performance and the result – especially the fourth goal, of course, which to me showed the capabilities of many players in this team.

I have been impressed with the attitude of all the players in the squad throughout this season, and lately when it has been difficult to have our normal training plans, great professionalism has been shown to make sure we are ready for the matches.

The results of the two away games were very different over the past week, although it is as much the performances I am looking for as the scorelines because this tells me

“To have fans prepared to come and help, just because they wanted to, is something I really admire. For me, it shows a great connection between the club and the supporters...”

how much we are progressing from where we started.

The squad has come a long way over the course of this season but we know there is still much to do if we are to be in a position to challenge for success later on. Let me make it clear that I will continue to make the decisions which I feel are for the benefit of the whole squad over the weeks and months of football that is coming along.

The number of fans I am seeing at the matches, here at home and at away matches, seems to be increasing every week and I am delighted by that fact.

I do hope it is because the players are providing you with some football that you find exciting and entertaining – something we always talked about as being

very important right back in the summer.

Of course we will not have every result go our way, like Tuesday night. But I feel that we have the quality of players in our squad to make sure there are more Huddersfields and Nottinghams than there will be Bristol Citys before this season comes to an end.

Today's game is of course very important, with a club that was in the Premier League only last season.

There has been change at Bolton, like a lot of teams, and with that comes a chance for new ideas which I'm sure Dougie Freedman is bringing into his players.

I'd like to welcome Dougie, his players and staff, and the fans of Bolton to our home today. Please, have a safe journey back and good luck for the season – after today's result, of course.

Before I say Ciao, what can I say about our supporters? The number of fans at Nottingham and Bristol surprised me and the players. I really do offer my thank you to everyone who is coming to the matches.

Now you must be ready to respond when the players need you today. I said earlier about this strength about the connection. Let us hear the strength coming through in your voices this afternoon.

Enjoy the game,

Gianfranco





BRISTOL CITY 2

WATFORD 0

Stadium **Ashton Gate** Date **Tuesday January 29, 2013** Att: **13,586 (1,079)**

Robins: Heaton; Maloney, Fontaine, Carey, Cunningham (Nyatanga 90); Pearson, Skuse (Elliott 27), Kelly, Anderson; Baldock, Davies (Stead 73).
Subs not used: Gerken (GK), Harding, McGugan, Greening.

Hornets: Almunia; Nosworthy, Hall, Ekstrand; Murray (Deeney 61), Abdi, Eustace (Chalobah 74), Hogg, Pudil; Forestieri, Geijo (Vydra 61).
Subs not used: Bond (GK), Yeates, Battocchio, Cassetti.



FORESTIERI, TRICKING HIS WAY PAST SKUSE, IS ABOUT TO CREATE A GREAT CHANCE FOR GEIJO



STRIKER GEIJO HOLDS OFF THE ATTENTIONS OF CITY MIDFIELDER KELLY





CUTTING IN FROM RIGHT WING-BACK MURRAY LOOKS TO GET THE BETTER OF PEARSON



ABDI FINDS HIS MAN, DESPITE PRESSURE FROM BRISTOL GOALSCORER ANDERSON



IT'S DEJECTION ALL ROUND FOR THE HORNETS AFTER THE FULL-TIME WHISTLE



BACK IN THE STARTING LINE-UP CLUB CAPTAIN EUSTACE PLAYS THE BALL PAST KELLY

GOALMOUTH ACTION

19 A City corner is headed by goalwards by Fontaine, forcing a good Almunia save

24 Abdi scoops a good chance over first-time, from Hogg's low centre

26 Geijo reacts quickly to head Forestier's sharp cross but it bounces wide

42 Innocuous CUNNINGHAM cross evades everyone and bobbles in

53 Hogg's powerful low 20-yarder is too centrally struck and Heaton gathers

58 Baldock gets round Hall but blazes over when through on goal

63 Ekstrand shoots from 15 yards but sees the ball deflect over off Deeney

65 0-2 Elliott heads down Pearson's corner for ANDERSON shoots home



Post-Match Reaction: Bristol City “We Made It Too Comfortable For Them”



A candid assessment of Watford's midweek shortcomings at Bristol City, from centre-half
NYRON NOSWORTHY, talking just after full-time...

PRESENTED with a wall of red shirts, largely camped inside their own half save for the odd foray forward, the challenge for Watford's boys in blue was clear: break us down if you can.

And the Hornets couldn't – try as they might.

“We put a lot of effort into the game but it we weren't always as clever and sharp as we needed to be,” contended

Golden Boys' centre-half Nyron Nosworthy, when asked about the reasons for defeat at Ashton Gate on a night of squally showers and blustery winds.

“The conditions weren't great today but that's no excuse; we knew exactly what we were coming up against and that Bristol City would try to make it as hard as possible for us to play the game we wanted.”



The Robins' fluke first goal aside, there was only limited goalmouth action at either end and, once the hosts had their noses in front, they showed grit and determination to see out their second straight home win.

"It's disappointing, of course it is. As players, we take the responsibility because we're professionals and we didn't get the job done that we were required to do tonight.

"We were moving the ball around okay at times, but it was

"As players, we take the responsibility because we're professionals and we didn't get the job done that we were required to do..."



pretty comfortable for them – too comfortable, really," added the 32-year-old.

"Fair play to them. They had a gameplan, stuck to it, and it worked for them. I think they'd have been happy with a draw, so the goals came as a bonus on top.

"A mistake out of nothing meant we were chasing the game and that played into their hands – just as other teams chasing the game has played into our hands a lot when we've gone away from home."

City countered rarely in the second 45, preferring to sit encamped on the edge of their penalty box repelling all dangers manfully.

A longer spell in Watford's half did pay dividends, however, when Paul Anderson made it two after a corner had dropped for

him 25 minutes from time.

"I think we just lacked the cutting edge to our play today and, as the game went on, we became more and more desperate and the game stretched out a lot.

"It wasn't the prettiest of matches but we did try hard to stick to our philosophies. No one was getting carried away beforehand; we've got a divine right to nothing.

"Everything we get from this division between now and the end of the season will have to be earned, big time.

"I've been in the position we're in now with Sunderland before, and I know how much other teams are motivated to get the better of you.

"I believe, though, we've got the players and the mentality to deal with these challenges – starting with the next game ahead of us."





NOTTINGHAM FOREST 0 WATFORD 3

Stadium **The City Ground** Date **Saturday January 26, 2013** Att: **20,732 (1,754)**

Forest: Darlow; Jara, Ward,
Collins, Halford; Cohen, Lansbury,
Gillett (Reid HT); Cox (Majewski
61); Blackstock (Henderson 76),
Sharp.

Subs not used: Evrimov (GK),
Harding, McGugan, Greening.

Hornets: Almunia;
Doyley, Nosworthy, Ekstrand;
Cassetti (Hall 70), Abdi,
Chalobah (Yeates 85),
Battocchio (Hogg 78), Pudil;
Vydra, Deeney.
Subs not used: Bond (GK),
Eustace, Geijo, Forestieri.

DEENEY AND VYDRA ARE ON A COLLISION COURSE TO
EMBRACE AFTER WATFORD'S FIRST GOAL



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THE MASSED RANKS OF 1,754 HORNETS -
CAPTURED BY CLUB SNAPPER ALAN COZZI



HAVING ESCAPED WITH VYDRA, DEENEY SLOTS HOME FROM CLOSE-RANGE FOR NO.2



THE SCOREBOARD ON FOREST'S NEW GIANT SCREENS SAYS IT ALL: 3-0 TO THE GOLDEN BOYS

FOR 0-3 WAT



A BIT OF TEAM BONDING FOR THE BOYS IN BLUE AFTER THE HORNETS GO AHEAD



BOSS ZOLA CONGRATULATES EKSTRAND ON HIS PART IN A FIRST AWAYDAY CLEAN SHEET

GOALMOUTH ACTION

20 1-0 Chalobah slips in Deeney who squares from the byeline for VYDRA to stroke home

28 Abdi's shot from yards out is superbly saved by Darlow.

And from the corner, both Nosworthy and Ekstrand see shots hacked off the line.

34 2-0 Chalobah releases Vydra who steams clear and tees up DEENEY

45 Blackstock finds space to control a cross but stabs wide from six yards

50 Battocchio's cross deceives Darlow but bounces off the face of the crossbar

72 3-0 Battocchio finds Abdi whose lob puts in VYDRA for a flicked finish

90 Sharp's low drive is saved then collected by the diving Almunia



WATFORD 4



HUDDERSFIELD TOWN 0

Stadium **The Riverside** Date **Saturday January 19, 2013** Att: **12,522 (673)**

Hornets: Almunia;
Doyley, Nosworthy, Ekstrand;
Cassetti, Abdi, Chalobah
(Eustace 61), Battocchio, Pudil;
Vydra (Forestieri 76), Deeney
(Geijo 84).

Subs not used: Bond (GK), Hall,
Mujangi Bla, Yeates.

Terriers: Smithies; Woods,
Gerrard, Clarke, Dixon; Hunt,
Clayton (Southern HT), Danns,
Scannell (Arfield 79); Vaughan
(Novak 57), Beckford.

Subs not used: Bennett (GK),
Norwood, Wallace, Lee.

BATTOCCHIO IS OVERJOYED AFTER OPENING HIS ACCOUNT
BY CONVERTING A BRILLIANT TEAM MOVE



DEENEY TUCKS AWAY WATFORD'S PENALTY
AWARDED IN FIRST-HALF INJURY-TIME



HARRY THE HORNET GETS INTO THE SPIRIT OF THE DAY, DIVING HEAD-FIRST INTO THE SNOW



VYDRA'S ACROBATICS EARNS HIM A GOAL
CONVERTING CASSETTI'S INSWINGING
CROSS



REPLACING PUDIL FORSYTH SLOTTED IN AFTER
SEVERAL MONTHS OUT OF THE FIRST-TEAM



LATCHING ONTO DEENEY'S PASS,
VYDRA SHOOTS HOME TO TREBLE
THE HORNETS' LEAD

GOALMOUTH ACTION

11 Scannell hits after a low drive which skirts Almunia's near-post side netting

41 Deeney chips onto the bar, Vydra's backheel is saved and Abdi's stabbed rebound blocked by Clarke's chest on the line

45+3 1-0 Woods is adjudged to have fouled Vydra and DEENEY converts the penalty

57 2-0 Cassetti's delightful inswinging cross is stabbed home by the lunging VYDRA

63 Almunia reacts smartly to push aside a stooping header from Beckford

75 3-0 Deeney holds up Nosworthy's ball forward and sets in VYDRA whose shoots home

84 Sub Geijo goes close, leaning back at the far post to head narrowly wide

86 4-0 A 12-pass move ends with Cassetti's low centre swept home by BATTOCCHIO

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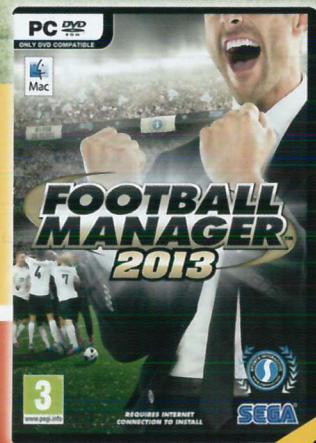
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1874

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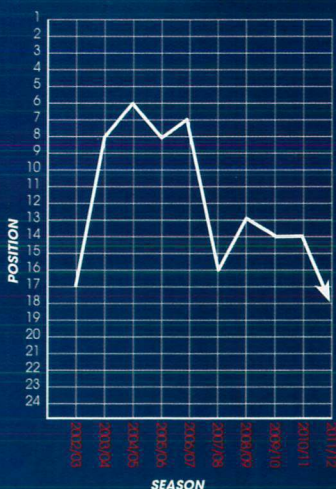
Nickname:
The Trotters, The Whites

Current Form:

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League Finishes:



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PERHAPS the npower Championship has proved more of a challenge than some of the Bolton Wanderers' impressive-looking squad list were expecting?

In fact, all three teams relegated last season from the Premier League - the Whites, Blackburn and Wolves - sit in lower mid-table right now.

A sign of the competitiveness of the division, certainly, but also a marker for the upheaval the relegated trio have endured at some point during this 2012/13 campaign.

For Bolton, that came mercifully early, allowing the October appointment and Dougie Freedman, replacing the sacked Owen Coyle.

The former striker moved from the comfort of being revered at Crystal Palace to a stern examination of his fledgling managerial credentials with a place in The Reebok hotseat.

Freedman, assisted by Lennie Lawrence, would appear to just about have things turning in the right direction now. Although Wanderers' failure - at any point this campaign - to put two consecutive wins together has destabilized any bid to head towards

the division's summit.

Freedman's tenure has five League wins to its name thus far, coupled with a frustratingly high number of draws that could have been three-point hauls.

A goalless draw was what Freedman & co. gleaned from Selhurst Park, as the manager went back to his former stomping ground for Bolton's most recent League match.

And last weekend, the Whites were left to take heart from a promising performance in defeat at home to Everton in FA Cup Round Four.

With 18 matches to go, clawing back a 13-point deficit on sixth-placed Middlesbrough

seems a tall order - but since Palace (2004) and Sunderland (2007), there has at least been form in the book for a storming late run.

Can Bolton find that consistency when it's most required?



(STAR MAN)**KEVIN DAVIES****POSITION: STRIKER****AGE: 35****SQUAD NUMBER: 14****JOINED FROM: SOUTHAMPTON (2003)****TROTTERS GAMES: 370 + 29****TROTTERS GOALS: 84**

Coming up to 10 years with Bolton, Kevin Davies has, at times, been the lifeblood of Trotters' teams over that time.

Having joined from Southampton back in 2003, the old-fashioned centre-forward, if selected, will be making his 400th appearance for Wanderers today.

A powerful player who has made a career out of making himself a nuisance for central defenders, club captain Davies is approaching a century of goals for Bolton – and has found the back of the net at some of the country's most illustrious venues during various Premier League campaigns.

A former winner of the club's 'Player of the Year' award, Davies was also unexpectedly called up for Fabio Capello's England squad in 2010 for a Euro 2012 qualifier against Montenegro – an honour which, for many, should have come much earlier.

Six goals for the current campaign is a figure which belies just how important the loyal 35-year-old is to Bolton's performances and team spirit.



TWEET TWEET

BITE-SIZED BOLTON FACTS THAT A LITTLE BIRDY TOLD US...

 Mark Gavin, who later had a short spell at Watford, played for Bolton at Wembley in the 1986 Freight Rover Trophy Final. They lost 3-0 to his future employers Bristol City

 Founder members of the Football League in 1888, Bolton lost their first three games before claiming a first victory: 6-2 at home to Everton

 Both teams have boasted a player called Billy Jennings over the years. Bolton's incarnation was a defender from Barry, south Wales, at the club from 1912 to 1930

 The Trotters were Watford's first-ever home opponents in the old Division Two back in August 1969. The match ended in a goalless draw

 Future Hornet Neil Redfearn played for Bolton in an 8-1 Division Three win v Walsall in 1983. Tony Caldwell, a signing from Horwich RMI, scored five

 Lee Sinnott was in the Saddlers defence in the Burnden Park rout. Two weeks later he made his Watford bow in a 3-2 home defeat to Spurs featuring that Glenn Hoddle goal

MANAGING THE WHITES*

*only permanent appointments listed | Phil Neal Dec 1985 – May 1992 | Bruce Rioch May 1992 – Jun 1995 | Colin Todd & Roy McFarland Jun 1995 – Jan 1996 | Colin Todd Jan 1996 – Sep 1999 | Sam Allardyce Oct 1999 – Apr 2007 | Sammy Lee Apr 2007 – Oct 2007 | Gary Megson Oct 2007 – Dec 2009 | Owen Coyle Jan 2010 – Oct 2012 | Dougie Freedman Oct 2012 –

(One To Watch)

A graduate of Manchester United's academy, Hemel Hempstead-born Eagles also represented Watford at youth level before signing for the Red Devils aged 14. A technically astute presence in Bolton's midfield, Eagles' spent a short-term spell back at Vicarage Road in the second half of the 2004/05 season, scoring once on his brief Hornets' return – then returned again for a longer stint during Watford's 2005/06 promotion campaign.

An integral part of Wanderers' attacking exploits this term, Eagles is the club's top scorer with seven npower Championship goals and an exceptional 10 assists.



7 CHRIS EAGLES

POSITION: **MIDFIELD**

AGE: **27**

JOINED FROM: **BURNLEY (2011)**

ADAM BOGDAN



1 ADAM BOGDAN

Position: **Goalkeeper**

Snapped up as a youngster from Hungarian side Vasas in 2007, Bogdan played understudy to Finn Jussi Jaaskelainen for much of his time at the club. Hungary cap has gone from strength to strength with regular game time and was voted his national team's Player of the Year for 2012.

2 TYRONE MEARS

Position: **Defender**

Joining the club in the same deal that saw Chris Eagles join from Burnley, full-back Mears missed much of the last campaign through injury, but has made his mark this term with 25 appearances so far.

3 MARCOS ALONSO

Position: **Def/Mid**

Signed from Real Madrid in 2010, Alonso, who operates from the left of midfield or defence, has slowly but surely taken to life in the Championship. Twelve starts and two goals mark a solid return for the former Spanish youth international.

4 MATT MILLS

Position: **Defender**

Brought in under Owen Coyle at the start of the season, Mills brings a wealth of Championship experience to Freedman's squad. Well-travelled at just 26, Mills may be in contention after a thigh strain which has kept him out since December.

5 TIM REAM

Position: **Defender**

Signed for £2million in the last January transfer window, Ream arrived from New York Red Bulls with a big reputation in the MLS. The USA cap has already equalled his 15 appearances from last term as he acclimatises to English football.

18 SAM RICKETTS

Position: **Defender**

Welsh international Ricketts moved to Lancashire from Hull in 2009 after three successful years at the KC Stadium. Twenty appearances so far for the former Swansea man.

8 KEITH ANDREWS

Position: **Midfielder**

Goalscoring midfielder made the move to Bolton at the beginning of the season after a short spell with West Brom in the Premier League, and has become a mainstay in the middle of the park. Four goals in his last seven for the Fire cap.

16 MARK DAVIES

Position: **Midfielder**

After coming through the Wolves ranks, Davies signed for Bolton in 2009 and has gone on to make over 100 club appearances. He's doubled his career League goals tally this season, before injury stalled his campaign in December.

21 DARREN PRATLEY

Position: **Midfielder**

A season of fits and starts for

Darren Pratley has seen half of his 18 appearances come from the substitutes bench. Joined Bolton from Swansea in 2011 – after five years and one appearance short of 200 games in Wales.

22 STUART HOLDEN

Position: **Midfielder**

A recent sub appearance in the FA Cup against Sunderland marked the end of difficult time for the Bolton fans' favourite USA international Holden. A standing ovation met the midfielder on his emotional return to action after the best part of 18 months on the sidelines due to a knee injury.

25 JOSHUA VELA

Position: **Midfielder**

Academy graduate has seen three starts in cup competition this term, as well as a substitute appearance in the npower Championship against Crystal Palace, as he looks force his way into regular contention.

27 CHUNG-YONG LEE

Position: **Midfielder**

South Korean international Lee has been a regular in Freedman's starting XI this campaign, after seeing little action last season under Owen Coyle. Five goals this term already mark a best return in his time at The Reebok.



MARVIN SORDELL

9 DAVID NGOG

Position: **Striker**

Much was expected of a young Ngog on his arrival at Liverpool from Paris Saint-Germain in 2008. A disappointing spell at Anfield saw the Frenchman move to Bolton and regular football in 2011. Four goals for the forward this term.

17 BENIK AFOBE

Position: **Striker**

Arsenal 19-year-old loan joined Bolton at the start of the season, with three goals in mainly substitute outings for the Trotters as he builds senior experience.

19 MARVIN SORDELL

Position: **Striker**

It's a first return to Vicarage Road for former Watford Academy graduate Marvin Sordell, who scored 23 goals in just under 100 appearances in yellow before moving to Bolton in January of last year. Four goals in his last four games marks a return to the side – and goalscoring form – for the England Under-21 international.

28 CRAIG DAVIES

Position: **Defender**

A recent addition to Freedman's squad, Davies adds to Bolton's attacking options off the back of a solid first half of the season at Barnsley which produced nine goals and a first cap for his country since 2005.



Profiles by **Liam McGarry**

(Key Players)

12 ZAT KNIGHT

Position: **Defender**

Joined from: **Aston Villa (2009)**

Former Fulham and Aston Villa defender Knight has been a mainstay in the heart of the Bolton defence since his arrival in the summer of 2009. The 6ft 6ins former England international, capped under Sven Goran Eriksson in 2005 against USA and Colombia, has made well over 100 appearances for the Trotters and is a vastly-experienced member of Dougie Freedman's squad.



20 JAY SPEARING

Position: **Midfielder**

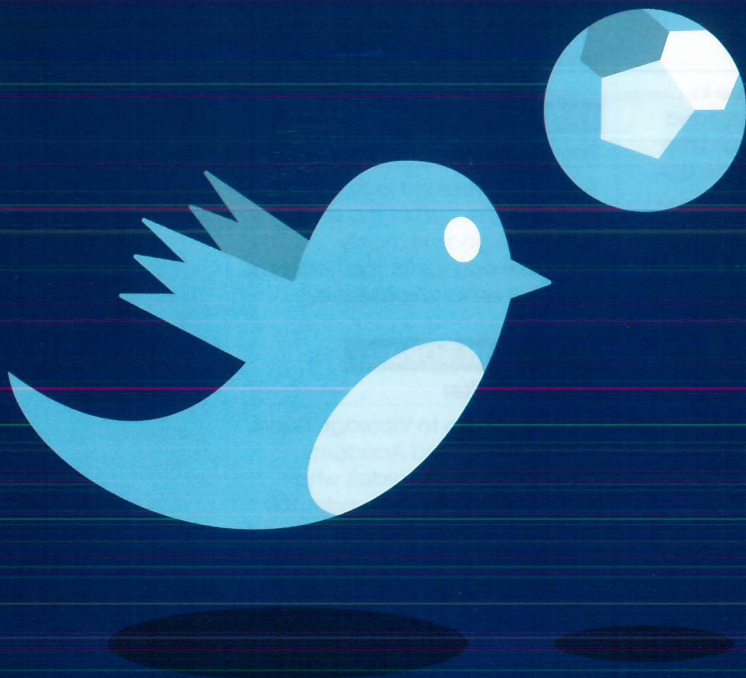
Joined from: **Liverpool (loan)**

A regular for Liverpool in the last campaign, Spearing made over 50 appearances for the Reds before being deemed surplus to requirements by Brendan

Rodgers this campaign.

He has been linked in on Freedman's teamsheet since arriving in September, and the combative midfield operator scored a first goal for the club against Bristol City in October.





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NUMBERS GAME: THE WHITES

285 A one-club man and true Bolton legend, Nat

Lofthouse is the Trotters' record goalscorer with 285 strikes. With a club career spanning 503 league and cup appearances from 1946-60, the centre forward famously bagged a brace during the 2-0 defeat of Manchester United in the 1958 FA Cup Final. He was capped by England 33 times, scoring 30 international goals.

In 2005, Lofthouse was voted top of a Wanderers legends list by fans, with Jay-Jay Okocha second and John McGinlay third.



1874 Founded in 1874 as Christ

Church FC, the club became Bolton Wanderers three years later and in 1888 were one of the 12 founder members of the Football League. They joined Accrington, Aston Villa, Blackburn, Burnley, Derby, Everton, Notts County, Preston, Stoke, West Brom and Wolves.

9 Major cup finalists on nine occasions, Bolton have won the FA Cup an impressive four times. Wanderers beat West Ham in 1923, Manchester City in 1926, Portsmouth in 1929 and Manchester United in 1958 – their last major trophy. They weren't as successful in 1894, 1904 and 1953; finishing runners-up to Notts County, Manchester City and Blackpool. They were also beaten League Cup finalists against Liverpool in 1995 and Middlesbrough in 2004.

4 In the four seasons prior to Sam Allardyce's resignation as manager, Bolton never finished outside of the country's top 10. Big Sam led the Trotters to eighth in the Premier League in 2003/04 and 2005/06, sixth in 2004/05, and seventh in 2006/07.



Bolton lost to Boro at The Millennium in 2004

3 The number of goals the Whites scored the last time they won in the League – on December 29, at home to Birmingham City. Bolton's Marcos Alonso cancelled out Nikola Zigic's strike for Blues before a Chung-Yong Lee goal and Keith Andrews' late penalty (pictured) won it for The Reebok hosts.



73 The Trotters may have spent more of their existence in the top-flight than out of it, but their 73 years at England's highest level are the most for a club never to win the title. The closest they have come is a third place finish on three occasions – in 1891/92, 1920/21 and 1924/25.

5 The early-to-mid 1990s were an exciting time for Wanderers supporters – by the time Bruce Rioch's side had been promoted to the Premiership in 1995 they'd already achieved FA Cup giant-killings over five clubs from a higher division. In 1993 they beat Liverpool and Wolves, and a year later the victims were Arsenal, Everton and Aston Villa.



Bolton's Mark Seagraves scores v Liverpool in 1993

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North to: Blackburn
East to: Bury
South to: Manchester
West to: Wigan
Bolton to WD18: 159 miles as the crow flies, 195 miles by road

PETER KAY

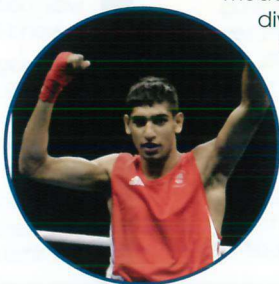
Comedian, actor, director and producer Peter Kay was born in Farnworth to the south of Bolton, in 1973.

His 2010/11 arena tour *The Tour That Doesn't Tour*, which boasted 120 dates to 1.2 million people, is the best-selling stand-up comedy show in history. He has sold over 10 million DVDs – a UK record for a comedian.



LORD LEVERHULME

William Lever was born in Bolton in 1851. After working in his father's grocery business he set up a soap and cleaning product firm with his brother James. Lever Brothers, now part of Unilever, produced such brands as Sunlight, Lux and



Lifebuoy.

Lever's many contributions to Bolton involved the donation of land for both Lever Park in Rivington and Leverhulme Park in Bolton, the formation of Bolton School and the renovation of Hall'th'Wood.

WARBURTONS

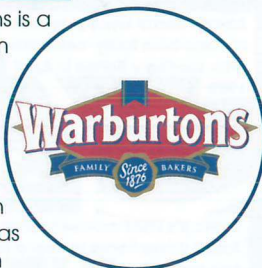
Warburtons is a baking firm formed and based in Bolton.

Founded when Ellen and Thomas Warburton bought a Bolton grocery in 1876, the company is still run by the Warburton family (now the fifth generation).

Traditionally strong in the north of England, rapid expansion in the late 1990s has led to Warburtons now being the largest baker in the UK.

AMIR KHAN

Professional boxer Amir Khan was born in Bolton in 1986. Britain's youngest-ever Olympic boxing medallist when he won a silver medal in the lightweight division in Athens in 2004, Khan is a former two-time world champion and former unified WBA (Super) and IBF light welterweight champion.

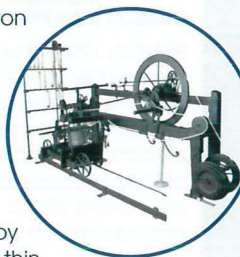


FRED DIBNAH

Steeplejack and TV personality Fred Dibnah was born in Bolton in 1938. When a regional BBC News crew filmed him making repairs to the roof of Bolton's town hall in 1978 his immediate popularity spawned a documentary, *Fred Dibnah, Steeplejack* which was to win the BAFTA for Best Documentary in 1979, and ultimately an alternative career presenting programmes on Britain's industrial history.

THE SPINNING MULE

Invented in Bolton by locally-born Samuel Crompton in 1779, the Spinning Mule dramatically altered the textile industry by spinning strong, thin thread. Owing its name to being a hybrid of the water frame and the spinning jenny (as a mule is a hybrid of horse and donkey), it was the most popular spinning machine between 1790 and 1900 – and is still in use in some niche markets.



REEBOK

JW Foster and Sons were founded in Holcombe Brook, near Bolton, in 1895 to market a novelty spiked running shoe. Two of the founder's grandsons changed the company name to Reebok in 1958, taking the name from the Afrikaans spelling of rhebok, an African gazelle. A subsidiary of Adidas since 2005, Reebok has a long association with its local football team.

PLAY IT AGAIN

A look back at some memorable past fixtures between the Hornets and the Trotters...

SEASON 1998/99

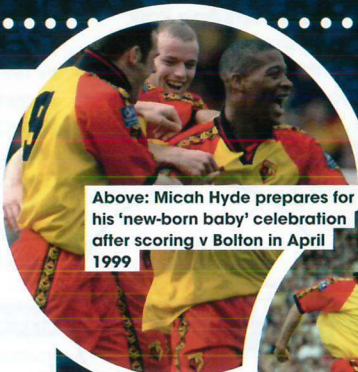
Oct 1998: Bolton Wanderers 1 Watford 2, Division One
April 1999: Watford 2 Bolton Wanderers 0, Division One
May 1999: Watford 2 Bolton Wanderers 0, Division One Play-Off

SEASON 1998/99 was a memorable year for Hornets' fans. The centrepiece of the season came against Wanderers at Wembley Stadium at the end of May, of course, but all three encounters of that campaign proved significant.

The Hornets had started their first season back in the second tier well enough, and were sitting sixth at the end of October ahead of a first visit to The Reebok Stadium. Wanderers were a place higher but undefeated with two games in hand and fancied for promotion.

Mindful of a run of four games without a win, Graham Taylor made a critical change; Keith Millen had been injured in a defeat at Tranmere three days earlier and so the 5-3-2 that had won the Division Two title was abandoned; 4-4-2 from then on in, and Millen was destined not to return to the side.

It was a terrific contest. Arnar Gunnlaugsson continued his



Above: Micah Hyde prepares for his 'new-born baby' celebration after scoring v Bolton in April 1999



Right: It's THAT moment: Allan Smart drives home to seal a fairy-tale promotion

prolific start to the season with his 10th of the campaign to open the scoring for Bolton, but Giffon Noel-Williams equalised on half-time and Peter Kennedy's impossible finish from Micah Hyde's terrific cross earned a very late win, sending the travelling Hornets' fans into wild celebration and kicking off a 10-game unbeaten run.

Another winning run was required as Watford hosted Wanderers in April. Having slipped down to ninth, seven points off the play-offs, the Hornets had rallied over Easter with inspiring wins over Tranmere and Birmingham.

From the moment that Allan Smart battered possession off the visitors within three seconds of their kick-off the

following weekend, the Hornets dominated. Bolton had Steve Banks to thank for keeping the score down in the first half;

he saved a penalty and made at least three key stops, but Watford went in ahead anyway thanks to Hyde's fabulous strike.

In the second half, Tommy Mooney – his performance described

elsewhere at the time as a genius cross-breeding of Rambo, Tigger

and an escapee from Roobarb and Custard – notched the second of what was to be an epic goalscoring run.

The rest is well-known. Watford hunted the Play-Off pack, down dropping just two points from the last eight games – and finished fifth with Wanderers in sixth.

Such was Watford's momentum that Bolton's task at Wembley was massive, and proved beyond them.

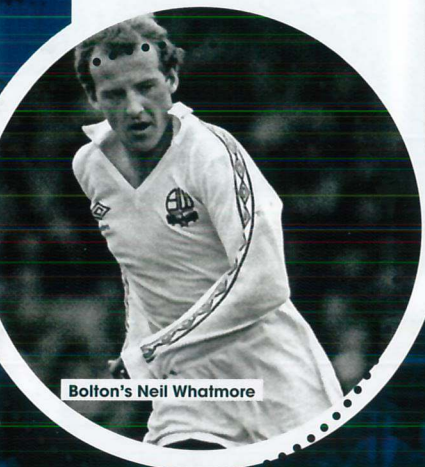
Two magnificent goals sealed promotion; Nicky Wright's the spectacular one, Allan Smart's the one that still makes Watford fans cry.

The Hornets had beaten Wanderers for a third time...and this time decisively.

APRIL 1981**Bolton Wanderers 2 Watford 1, Division Two**

The Trotters gained their first competitive victory over Watford at the ninth time of asking. Goals from John Thomas and Neil Whatmore secured the victory, Gerry Armstrong scoring for the visitors.

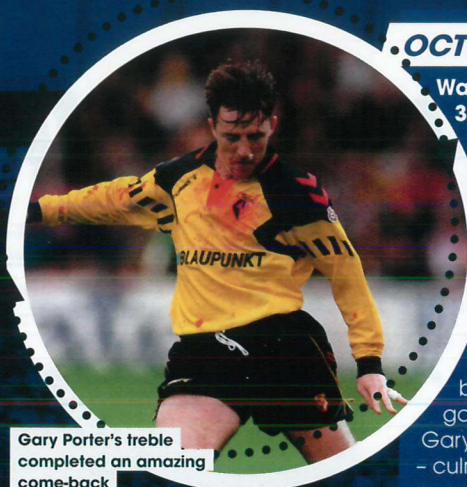
This was the Hornets final defeat of the season; a finish of four wins and a draw would follow – and Bolton's last victory...thus the last time they would take two points from a fixture, due to the summer rule change.



Bolton's Neil Whatmore

JANUARY 1970**Bolton Wanderers 1 Watford 2, FA Cup Round Three**

The Hornets began their progress towards their first FA Cup semi-final by defeating Bolton at Burnden Park, for whom World Cup winner Roger Hunt was making a fruitless debut. Barry Endean gave Watford the lead, Roy Greaves equalising before the break. Endean, though, secured a late winner by poking in a rebound.



Gary Porter's treble completed an amazing come-back

OCTOBER 1993**Watford 4 Bolton Wanderers 3, Division One**

With 20 minutes remaining, an abject performance from a Watford side minus the suspended Paul Furlong saw the visitors 3-0 up.

A remarkable turnaround saw Ken Charlery come off the bench to score his last goal for the club, and Gary Porter strike a hat-trick – culminating in a last-minute penalty – to give the home side a most improbable victory.

SEPTEMBER 2006**Bolton Wanderers 0 Watford 0, Premier League**

The Hornets remained without a Premiership win despite a hugely impressive performance at the Reebok Stadium which saw Damien Francis, Ashley Young and Malky Mackay, on his long-awaited Premier League debut, hit the woodwork. The Trotters, for whom new signing Nicolas Anelka was making a debut, won the game through Gary Speed's injury-time spot-kick after Dan Shittu had needlessly fouled Idan Tal.



Gary Speed drills home a late penalty winner for the Whites v Watford

JANUARY 2006**Watford 0 Bolton Wanderers 3, FA Cup Round Three**

Aidy Boothroyd's Hornets made a limp exit from the FA Cup, being comprehensively beaten by goals from Jared Borgetti, Stelios Giannakopoulos and Ricardo Vaz Te. Such was the visitors' comfort that Sam Allardyce saw fit to afford young goalkeeper Sam Ashton – a massive Bolton fan – what was to be his only outing for Wanderers; two minutes as an outfield replacement for Jared Borgetti.



Sam Ashton, performing more familiar duties for Bolton

LEAFING THROUGH HISTORY

Looking back over some past programme extracts between the Hornets and today's visitors Huddersfield Town, thanks to nostalgia collector Alan Palmer...

1 MONDAY MAY 31, 1999 - DIVISION ONE PLAY-OFF FINAL

Arguably the most important game ever played between the two sides took place at Wembley in May 1999, when the teams met in the Nationwide Division 1 Play-Off Final.

What a day it was and who will ever forget the two magnificent goals Watford scored. The first, by Nick Wright, was one of the finest goals ever seen at Wembley, and, for sheer relief, Allan Smart's second wasn't far behind.



HORNETS BEWILDER BOLTON

DRAW

VERDICT

WATFORD were taken comfort from their display in their first home match in Division 2. They picked up their first point of the season – and deserved it.

The spirit and enthusiasm of the side was more commendable, too, was the pattern of their play.

Defensively, the Hornets looked no worse, if not better, than ever and gave Bolton only one chance.

The attack, the signs were hopeful in that a number of chances were created. Also, one was stopped up and that was only four which left room for doubt.

Closely in Division 2 a final runner, passing forward into the defence or making themselves seen in the wing is an essential. Opposing defenders are inevitably big and in the air and on a credit 5 will become more important than ever to create and take – there up the ground.

Not despite the failure in view, Watford's home debut in Division 2 was a satisfying experience. Some of the football played was of a very high order.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

BOLTON WANDERERS

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2 SATURDAY AUGUST 16, 1969 – FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Watford's first ever meeting with Bolton Wanderers took place on August 16, 1969. The match was the Hornets' debut home match in the second-flight of English football. Nearly 16,000 fans saw the sides battle out a goalless draw.

Bolton's manager and former England international Nat Lofthouse praised Watford after the match, saying they would do well. Watford did do well and, despite drawing a lot of games, they stayed up.

There's a strange coincidence here in the fact that Watford's away match prior to the game was at Bristol City (pictured) – just as it is this season.

BRISTOL CITY v WATFORD

Bristol's goalkeeper beats Rodney Green to a high ball in Watford's first Second Division game last Saturday.

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3 TUESDAY OCTOBER 5, 1982 – MILK CUP SECOND ROUND, FIRST LEG

Flying high in Division One at the time, Watford travelled to Burden Park to face Bolton Wanderers for the first leg of a Round Two League Cup tie.

Gerry Armstrong and Ross Jenkins got the goals during a 2-1 win – and the Hornets progressed with another 2-1 victory in the home leg.

It wasn't to last, though, and how! Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest beat Watford 7-3 in Round Three at The City Ground.

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HAVE BOOTS, WILL TRAVEL

By Chris Dunlavy

CAREER nosedive or well-paid holiday?

Only time will tell after former £9m man Alan Hutton made a surprise switch from Aston Villa to Real Mallorca.

Binned by Spurs and unwanted at Villa, the Scottish international is hoping to reignite his career in Spain – and why not?

After all, offer most people a choice between Birmingham and the Balearics and there's only going to be one winner.

So, by way of wishing Hutton luck, here are some other Brits who spurned the glitz and glamour in favour of footballing backwaters.

Rohan Ricketts

Like some kind of footballing Indiana Jones, the 30-year-old is never far from the nearest departure lounge.



Rohan Ricketts

Since his release by Barnsley in 2008, Ricketts has played in Canada, Hungary, Moldova ("not what I expected"), Germany (for Wilhemshaven of the Fourth Division) and Ireland. Last seen in India playing for League Champions Dempo, he was kicked out for criticising the coach in a "twitter outburst" and has since joined Ecuadorian Second Division side Deportivo Quevedo.

That passport must be pretty tatty by now.



Dalian Atkinson

Dalian Atkinson

Best remembered for his time at Villa and that goal against Wimbledon, Atkinson was actually a football nomad who plied his trade in six different countries.

Before Villa, he formed a prolific strike partnership with John Aldridge at Real Sociedad, where he is still fondly remembered for his goal against Barcelona, a love of the local nightlife and the bright red Porsche he was never seen without.

Post-Villa, he played in Turkey with

Fenerbahce, went on loan to French side Metz, briefly appeared in Saudi Arabia and then finished his career in South Korea with that famous old name, Jeonbuk Hyundai Motors.



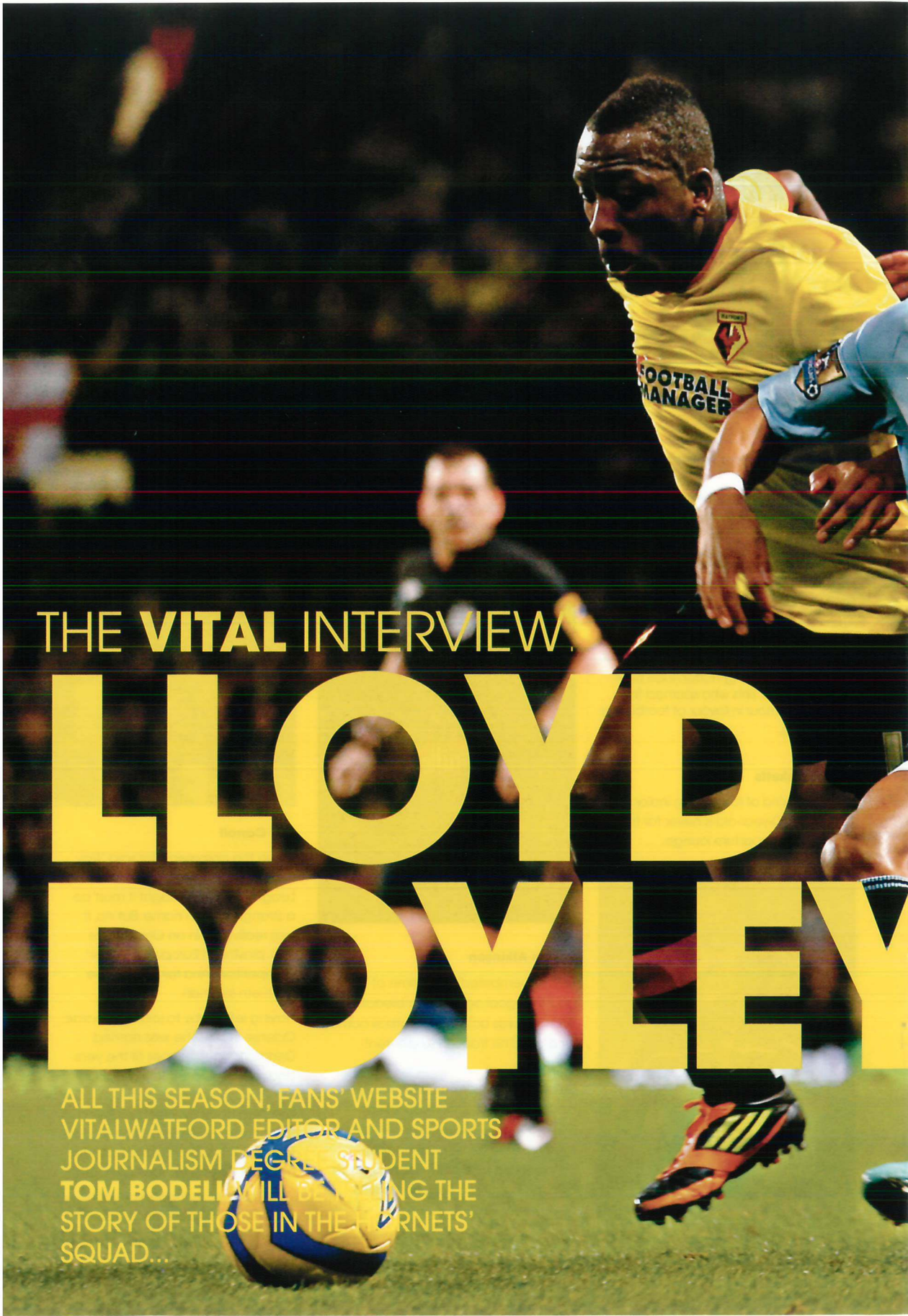
Roy Carroll

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When the commentator said "Roy Carroll" during a recent Champions League game, I thought it must be a strange foreign name. But no, it was really him, in an Olympiakos shirt, playing in Europe's premier competition. And fair play to the Northern Irishman.

Having left Derby to join Danish side Odense in 2010, he was named Denmark's goalkeeper of the year and returned to England hoping it would carry some weight. Alas, he was knocked back by Sheffield United, Stevenage, Preston and Barnet during trials in 2011, so had to start all over again at Greek minnows OFI Crete.

Yet again he performed out of his skin, with Olympiakos beating off several other Greek clubs to snap him up.



THE **VITAL** INTERVIEW

LLOYD DOYLEY

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TOM BODELI WILL BE TELLING THE
STORY OF THOSE IN THE YARNETS'
SQUAD...



WHEN a new manager comes into a football club, it's a fact of life that they often want to bring their own players and that, inevitably, some of the current playing staff are moved on as a result.

In the case of the Hornets' longest-serving defender Lloyd Doyley, the ability to prove his doubters wrong has become as much of a trademark as his dogged man-marking.

Now playing for the Golden Boys under his seventh permanent manager, the Whitechapel-born full-back has outlasted his five previous bosses to plant himself on the list of the club's highest appearance makers, making him one of the senior members of the squad.

To that end, there's nobody better qualified in the squad to compare the first Italian regime under Gianluca Vialli to the current one under Gianfranco Zola.

"There are a few similarities," he contends.

"Both managers have brought in quite a few of their own players. I can remember in the Luca days we had quite a big squad; we do now – a good, strong squad. Back then we did as well. We didn't play well as a team under Luca but we had a good squad," argues Doyley

"Both managers like to play 3-5-2; I had my debut as one of the three. There are similarities there but, personality-wise, they're completely different people.

"Zola's more calm and collected; he likes to think of strategies to combat the other teams. I think under Vialli we just had good players. We went out there and tried to play but that didn't work as well."

Whilst the short-comings of the former Chelsea, Juventus and Sampdoria striker's solitary season in charge have been well-documented over the years, Doyley owes a huge debt of gratitude to the ex-Italian international as it was he who handed the now 30-year-old defender his debut just over 11 years ago.

"I was on the bench and a little bit nervous because obviously we had a new manager and a new staff at the time when Vialli came in," he admits, recounting vividly the evening's events.

"I'd done well in previous reserve games

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FIFA or Football

Manager? **I've**

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FIFA

and Vialli saw that and put me on the bench. Pierre Issa got injured, so I quickly went to warm up, but I literally didn't have enough time to warm up. I was straight on the pitch. Once I was on the pitch I was fine."

Former Chelsea midfielder Ray Lewington was the third manager a young Doyley had worked under in a short space of time, something that he would have to get used to.

"So early in my career – I turned pro' under Graham Taylor and he retired, Luca Vialli came in and then the next year Ray Lewington came in. So in my first two years as a professional I had three different managers.

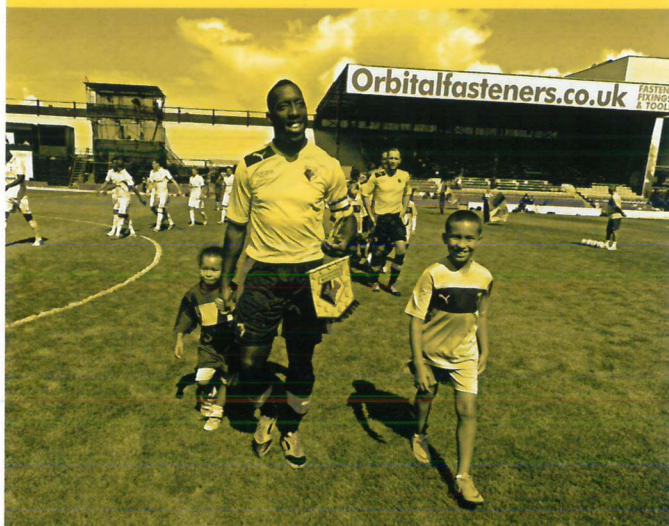
"It was a little bit difficult but it made it easier that Ray Lewington knew who I was and I obviously played quite a few reserve games under him as well. I was quite comfortable in that sense."

The knock-on effects of the collapse of ITV Digital, coupled by the previously unseen excess financial outlays of the Vialli reign, had serious ramifications for the club off the field, but played a positive part in Doyley's first-team involvement under Lewington.

"At the time Watford had a few money problems, they had to look to the youngsters," explains the defender.

"I tried to prove that I was worthy enough of being part of the squad and most of the time under Ray Lewington I was part of things, so I'm very grateful for that. At the same time I wish I still had the chance

"...I turned pro' under Graham Taylor and he retired, Luca Vialli came in and then the next year Ray Lewington came in. So in my first two years as a professional I had three different managers..."



to play more games, but it was a good experience at the time."

A moment which is often cited by players at the club during the financial turmoil is the 12.5 per cent pay deferral and the subsequent victory against Sheffield United that same week. Doyley remembers the occasion clearly, despite being unaffected financially.

"There was quite a lot of uncertainty. At lot of the senior players had to take a cut and obviously it affected them quite a bit mentally as well.

"Nobody likes stuff being taken away from them which they should be earning. We knew we had a job to do at the end of the day. The more games you won, the more likely we were to stay in the league. It would have helped everyone who was involved. We knew it was difficult but we dealt with it in the right way by winning games and staying afloat.

"I was still on my first professional contract at the time, so I didn't (take a deferral), even though I was part of the squad quite a lot; I still wasn't on that sort of money. If I had to it would have had to have been done."

That season the Hornets defied all logic as they posted a comfortable 13th-place finish and found themselves in the last four of the FA Cup and only Southampton standing in the way of an improbable place at the Millennium Stadium.

"I think the FA Cup may have taken our eye off the league to be honest, but it was still a great experience to be involved in.

"We got to a semi-final and we got to play at Anfield (in the League Cup two seasons later) – a great experience for us. I wouldn't mind some more of those experiences now really; we keep getting those top teams in the first round!

"Those experiences will stay with me forever. The game at Anfield was a great atmosphere, a great moment."

Despite performing the kind of balancing act a trapeze artist would have been impressed with, Lewington's services were dispensed with in March 2005 and a charismatic Yorkshireman known to few outside of his employers took over at the helm.

Steadying the ship, Aidy Boothroyd kept the Hornets in the Championship

before delivering a wholly unexpected promotion the following season.

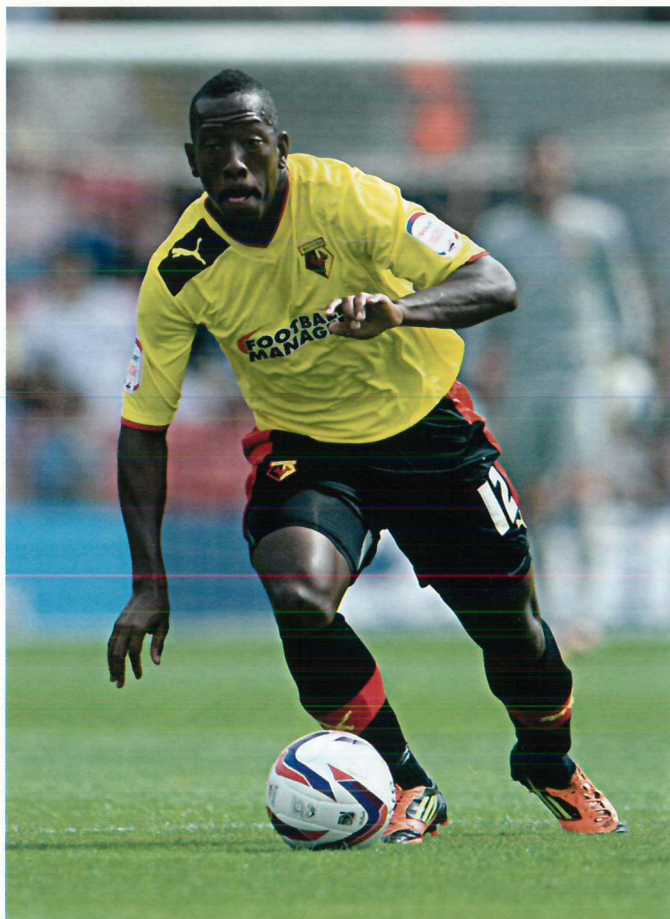
"Aidy came in and made some immediate changes. Nobody knew quite who he was because he was a young manager in his first job – nobody knew quite what to expect but we got through that season and the following season he brought in some really good players.

"At the beginning of the season he said 'I want to go for promotion.' Obviously everybody looked at each other to say 'is he mad?' We had a small club and he brought in some good players and we just gelled. We all knew what to do. I don't think we came out of the top three all season."

Boothroyd wasn't one for sticking to perceived wisdom and that spark of ingenuity meant that the Hornets would travel to the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff the day before their memorable victory over Leeds United to take in the splendour of their surroundings – something which Doyley credits for a resounding victory one the day.

"We actually went there the day before and saw what the stadium was and what the pitch was like and got a feel for it," he explains.

"It was an awesome experience; there were 70,000 people in the stadium and



"Actually going and beating Leeds 3-0, deservedly beating them 3-0, was awesome. That is one of my most treasured moments I keep with me..."

half of them were Watford fans. Actually going and beating Leeds 3-0, deservedly beating them 3-0, was awesome. That is one of my most treasured moments I keep with me."

Doyley would go on to make 21 Premiership appearances as he vied with a young Adrian Mariappa for his spot in the team. The experience proved invaluable.

"I thought we were a bit unfortunate that we lost Marlon King to injury. The main difference is that if Premier League strikers get one chance, they'll take it.

"In the Championship it's a little harder. If they get a chance, they'll take two or three chances to score but in the top division the players are so lethal."

An immediate return to the top-flight looked to be on the cards as the 2007/08 season kicked off, but the Hornets infamously blew a comfortable lead at

the top of the Championship and faltered at home, unable to collect three points in front of their own supporters for much of the second half of the campaign.

The season also presented Doyley with his only opportunity to leave Vicarage Road as Boothroyd desperately tried to plug the holes in his leaky backline with the additions of Leigh Bromby and Mat Sadler.

"At one stage, QPR tried to buy me but that got rejected straight away. I was undergoing contract talks at the time and we actually bought Leigh Bromby and that was another reason why I didn't play 10 or 11 games in a row, but I was never going to go.

"I was never going to leave a club like Watford. I think we were first or second at the time. I'm the kind of person who will fight for my place and that was what I intended to do."

Doyley has always been a fighter and perhaps the finest example of his ability to prove his detractors wrong came during the 2008/09 campaign when Brendan Rodgers told the versatile defender he was not in his plans.

"When he came in he said to me 'you're not my type of player, I respect what you've done, I'll keep you involved and we'll see what happens'.

"Then five or six games later I got to play against Chelsea and I played really well and from there I played until the end of the season. I respect him because he didn't just chuck me out; he actually gave me a chance and let me prove him wrong, really."

Under Rodgers, the Hornets made the successful transition from being predominantly being a long-ball team to a team which protected possession, trying and succeeding to move the ball around on the floor. Naturally it was a disappointment when after just eight months, Rodgers upped sticks and left.

"We were looking forward (to next season). He offered me a three-year contract at the time and I signed it. It was a little bit disappointing, we were all looking forward to the new season with Brendan but it was a different opportunity; a big opportunity for him and you can't begrudge him.

"That was the club he started at and to have the opportunity to manage the club

you started at, most people would take that opportunity."

Despite leaving in the summer of 2009, Rodgers would have a lasting impact on Doyley's career as he moved the right-back to left-back, the position from which he finally opened his goalscoring account for the club after 269 first-team run outs.

"I was a little bit surprised to be that far up. To be honest I got in the box a few times a few games before and I had some chances that I actually nearly missed. I was just grateful it was on Sky and the whole nation was watching!

"I got in the box and the ball came to me and I actually didn't know what to do when I scored - I thought it was off-side! The players helped me along and I was grateful that we won 3-1 in the end. It was a great moment.

Just as memorable for the 5ft10ins defender was the occasion of his Testimonial match against Andre Villas-Boas' Tottenham Hotspur in pre-season.

The Portuguese brought a first team to The Vic as the Watford faithful helped Doyley celebrated 10 long years since his first-team debut for the club.

"It was a great moment. I had all my friends and family there. Just under 10,000 Watford fans turned up and it was a great moment. I'm not one to have full attention on me, I don't really like that.

"But for that one day it was good - and I enjoyed it so much."



Lloyd Doyley



VITAL STATISTICS

7 Doyley has appeared under all of the last seven Watford managers. (Vialli, Lewington, Boothroyd, Rodgers, Mackay, Dyche, Zola)

181 The defender averages a goal every 181 games for the Hornets

188 The number of different players to have appeared for Watford between the date of Doyley's first-team debut and the present day!

7 Doyley has been sent off just once in his career and that was a case of mistaken identity

11 He is currently 11th on the list of Watford FC all-time record appearance-makers

49 Nobody bettered the 49 games for the Hornets during the 2005/06 promotion campaign that Doyley appeared in

2 He has featured under two managers who were previously team-mates in Watford's defence: Malky Mackay and Sean Dyche

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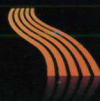
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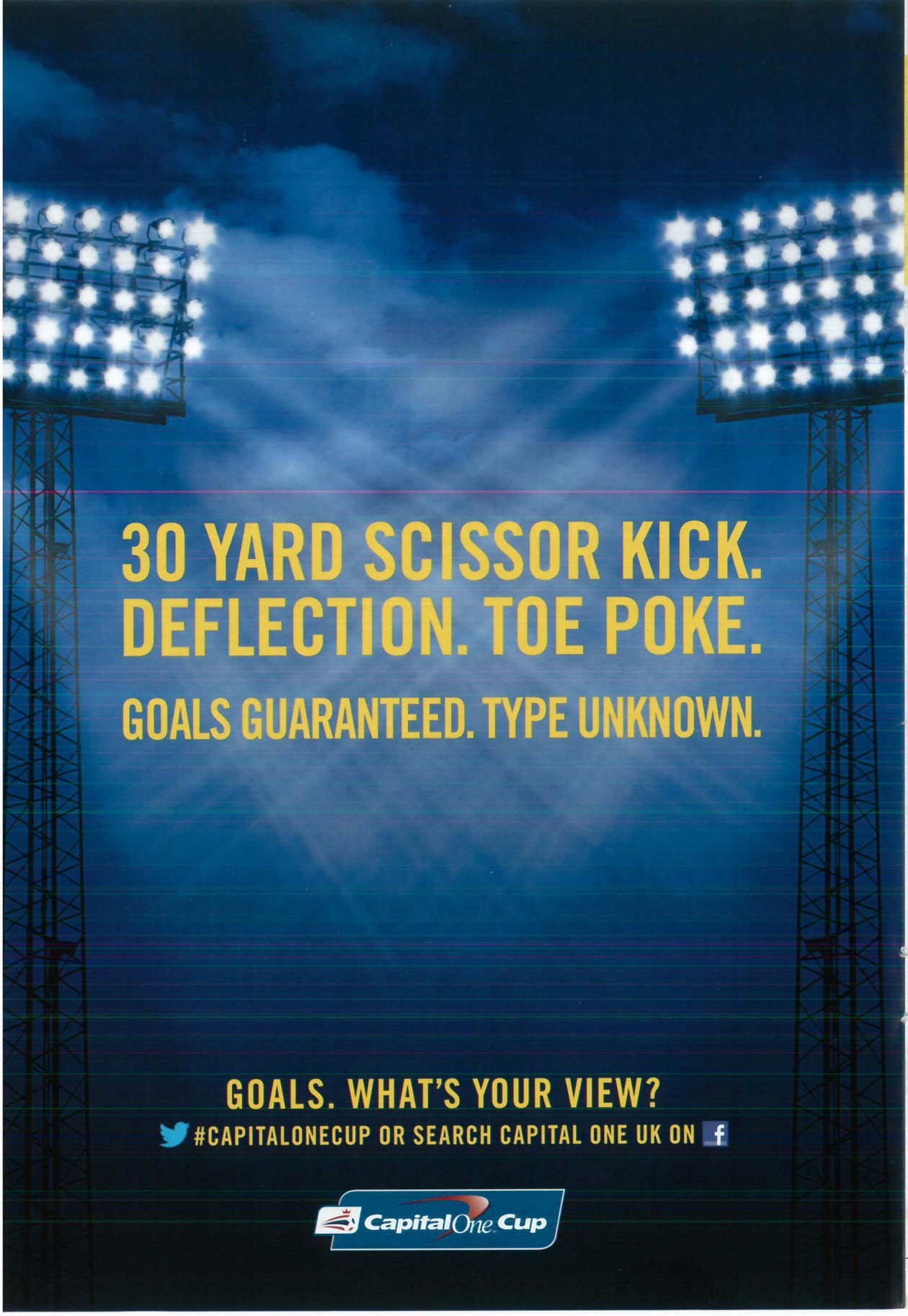
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THIRTY YEARS AGO 1982/83

A SEASON-LONG FEATURE CHARTING THE STORY OF 1982/83, WATFORD'S FIRST-EVER SEASON IN THE TOP-FLIGHT OF ENGLISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

**AH MR BOND, WE'VE BEEN
EXPECTING YOU**

WITH 1983 and the second half of the season underway, Watford found themselves just a few points shy of the points total required for First Division survival, well ahead of schedule and having already eclipsing all reasonable expectations.

Whilst Liverpool were starting to appear uncatchable at the summit, the Hornets began the new year with their sights firmly set on a European place – and a win over John Bond's Manchester City would take the golden boys to second in the table...



AHEAD of Watford's bow in the top-flight, there were many who thought they would struggle. And when the club didn't add to their ranks with any notable pre-season purchases, the number of doubters increased.

Lead by Graham Taylor, Watford had made the decision to stick with the team that had served them so well in gaining promotion, showing faith in the youngsters who had come through the Vicarage Road ranks to deliver success. Many of these youngsters were completely unknown to those outside Watford, but as the season progressed and the Hornets kept winning, people started to sit up and take notice.

The club rapidly becoming the story of the 1982/83 season and there was growing interest in the players who were making it happen.

Two of the players making names for themselves were midfielder Kenny Jackett and winger Nigel Callaghan – and the press ran feature interviews with them both as part of the build-up to the home game with Manchester City.

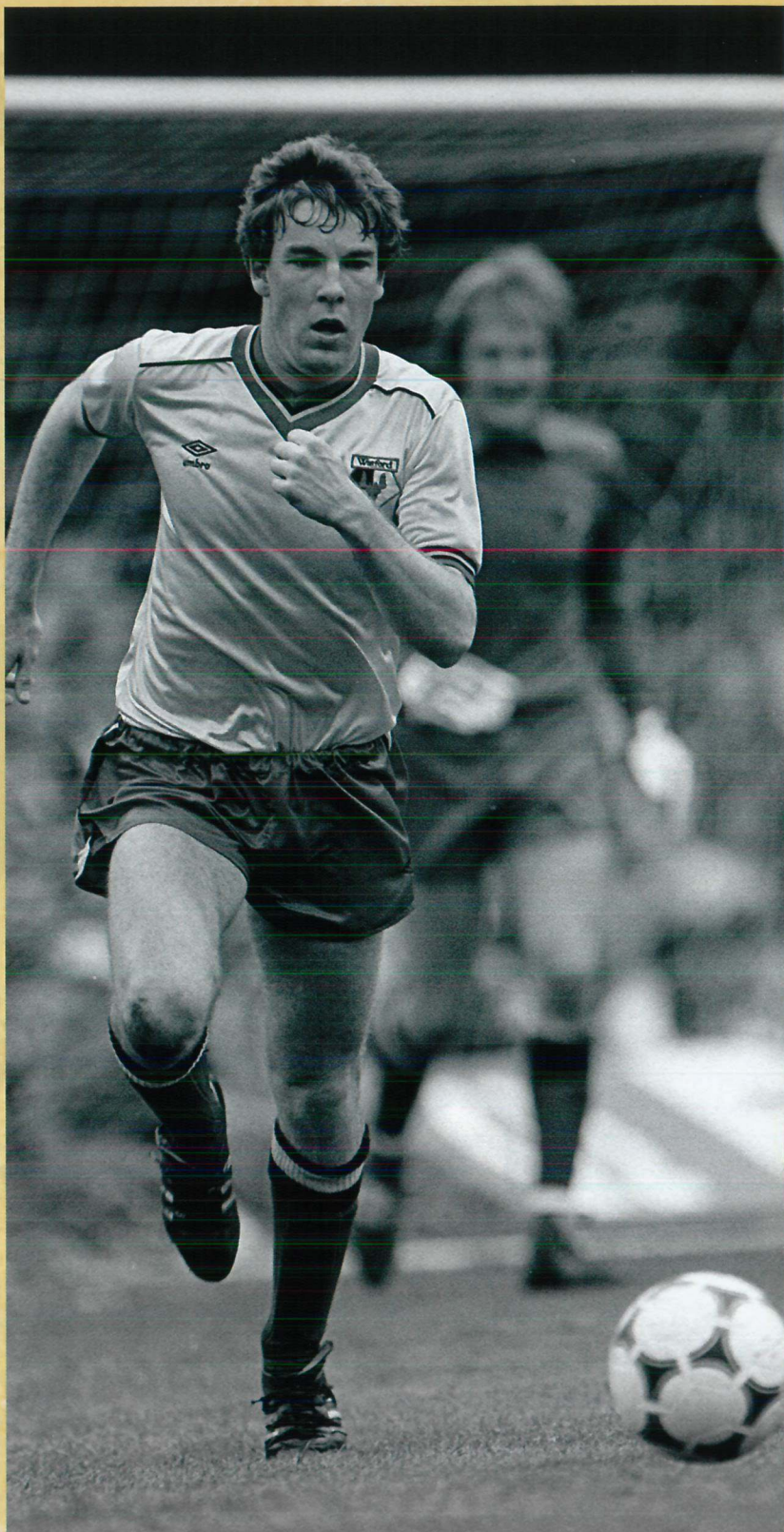
As was so often the way with Watford players, Callaghan was very open in his interview, accepting the view that whilst he had enjoyed a fantastic start to 82/83, his form had levelled off and he wasn't finding the net often enough.

"I haven't scored enough goals for Watford," the 20-year-old began.

"I may not have done quite so well recently, but I don't worry about it. I have to go through certain stages and the more worrying I do, the worse my form will become.

"There is a lot of emphasis on John Barnes and myself scoring and, when we don't, we aren't really doing our jobs right. On the other hand, we're doing well at getting into goalscoring positions and my heading has improved."

Callaghan's impressive start to the



-Hornets aim to stay in the hunt

season had been rewarded with an England Under-21 cap, but despite this honour, he remained grounded and focused on his performances for the Hornets.

"I'm still looking for consistency. I'm really enjoying the First Division and am finding that the bigger the name of the full-back I'm facing, the more I raise my game. I really want to shine against people like Kenny Samson."

He also had a word for the Division one officials, whose performances in Watford games had been somewhat erratic.

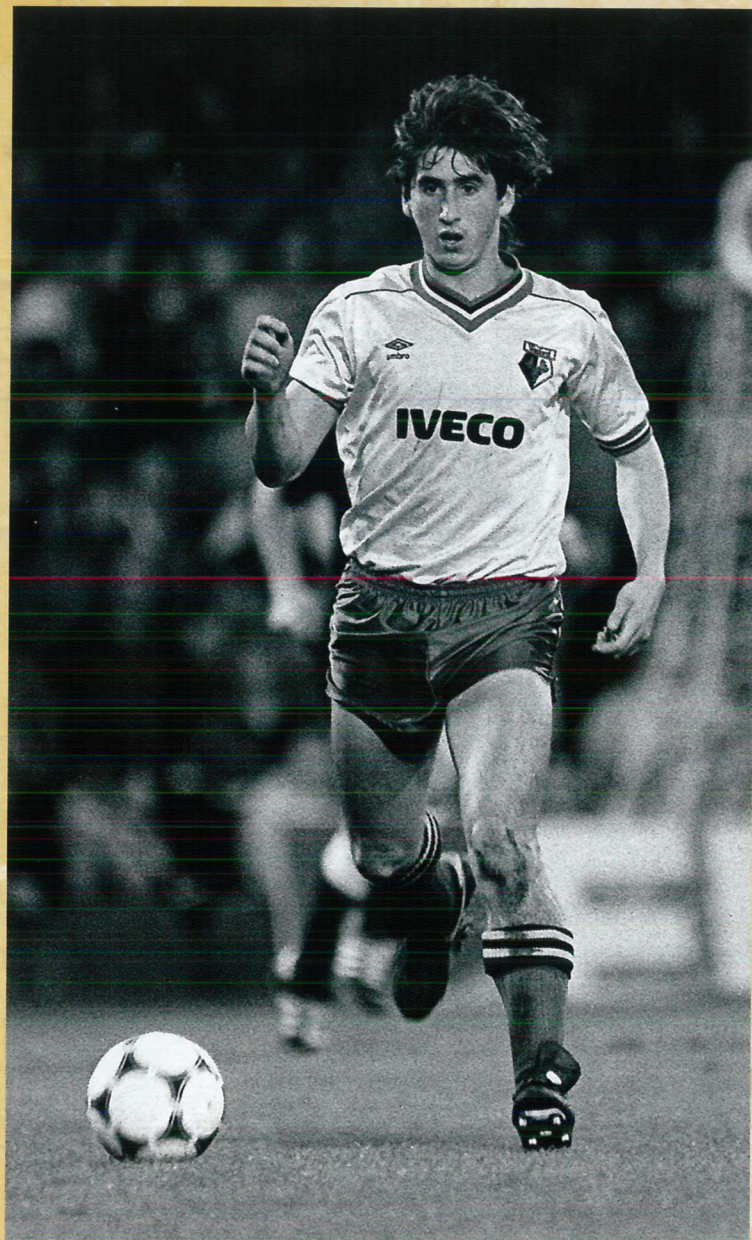
"I'm getting a little bit fed up with being pushed around. It seems that defenders are simply expected to kick attackers. It's annoying, but there is no way you can retaliate at Watford - the boss just won't stand for that."

Like Callaghan, Kenny Jackett's contribution to Watford's fabulous start to the season had resulted in International honours.

The midfielder made his debut for Wales away at Yugoslavia in a European Championships qualifier, a match that ended 4-4.

"What a game - end-to-end, and I really don't think any of the goals could have been prevented," commented the softly-spoken 21-year-old.

Graham Taylor had proclaimed that Jackett was one of the most talented players on Watford's books. Performances that had seen him cover acres of ground, make surging runs from deep whilst delivering an array of



deadly through-balls and crosses, the football world was starting to see what Taylor had meant. Jackett had made the transition from defence to midfield, having played at both left-back and centre-back for the Hornets, further illustrating his talent and flexibility as a player.

"I have been getting into the game a lot more, and the more I've played in midfield the easier

it has become," said Jackett, speaking ahead of the visit of Manchester City.

"I must say, I enjoy the involvement there and it's not really that much harder physically - at least I don't think so.

It might be slightly easier in the centre of defence, but there you really are the last line of defence and you really have to be on your toes."

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In their own words...

KENNY - WATFORD'S PRINCE OF WALES

At the age of 15, Watford born Kenny Jackett spent his Saturday afternoons stood on the terraces at Vicarage Road, watching Watford with his friends and brother.

Three short years later, it was he that graced the hallowed turf as he made his debut in the first team; the beginning of a career that would see him firmly installed as an all-time Hornets' great.

After making his first-team bow in 1980, Jackett - whose father Frank had also been a professional footballer - wouldn't have to wait long before he was playing top-flight football, playing a vital role in helping the Hornets to promotion. When

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Of course, not everyone revelled in Watford's unexpected success. The national press were consistently uncomplimentary about the Hornets style. How did the players treat this criticism?

"I have to admit, we found it quite humorous. We weren't used to getting that level of coverage, but the fact that we were winning made it easy to put it into perspective.

"We were young, we were doing well so we all found it quite funny really. It's hard to sum up what it was like being part of that team at that time, but the drive of the manager was incredible. He really kept the club moving in the right direction.

"We had a group of fantastic players;



he joined Watford, did he honestly expect to be playing his trade in Division One so soon?

"I always thought we had a chance," he remembers, fondly.

"Graham Taylor and Elton John had been very public in stating that their goal was to deliver Watford into Division One, and I don't think you say those sort of things so openly if you aren't serious about it.

"I'd been at Watford as a schoolboy so had seen first-hand what was happening at the club. Everyone was very ambitious and we had some great players; people like John Barnes, who was obviously very special.

"So with the combination of a driven management team and a great set of players on the pitch, it wasn't a huge surprise when we went up in 1982.

"Having been promoted, it was a season of firsts for so many of us. As a group, there were very few of us that had played top-level football.

"Graham brought in Pat Rice, who had had great success with Arsenal, but apart from him there were very few of us with Division One experience.

"There were players like myself who had come through the ranks at Watford, combined with players who had spent time in the lower leagues, so we were looking forward to visiting the big grounds and playing against the big teams.

"I also made my international debut in 1982/83, representing Wales in qualifiers for the European Championships – so things started happening very quickly for me at that stage in my career. It was an amazing time."

Kenny would go on to make 31 caps for his country, but on the home front, how did the feeling at Vicarage Road change as it became apparent Watford were going to have a successful debut year in Division One?

"At the start of the season we didn't have anything other than establishing ourselves on our minds," explains the current Millwall boss, the Championship's longest-serving manager by a country mile.

"We were focused on giving everything a good go, but we had to be realistic in as much as very few people in the club had any experience of what it was like to play at that level.

"It was where we all wanted to be, it was what we had all worked so hard to achieve, so we were determined to attack it.

"We were all looking forward to the big games – to playing Arsenal, Spurs and Liverpool – but we were focused on making the most of it and building on what we had achieved.

"Apart from staying up, we didn't set ourselves any targets, but as the season went on the sense of belief we had in ourselves grew. The club as a whole started to feel confident that it could compete at the highest level and we recorded some big victories against some big clubs, which obviously helped everyone believe that we could be successful that year and beyond.

"Beating Spurs at White Hart Lane and Arsenal at Highbury were real highlights. They were the big boys of London football, and to beat them away from home was something really special."

most of us hadn't had the chance to prove ourselves at the top level, so we were hungry and the only thing we really concentrated on was doing as well as we could."

Now one of the Football League's longest-serving managers, how useful has the time spent as a player under Graham Taylor proved to be?

"I learned a lot. I worked for Graham as a player and as an assistant, so I got two chances to absorb the way he did things.

"He had an amazing ability of being able to talk to and hold the attention of both large groups and individuals – and making sure that each and every one of his players gave of their best.

"He'd employ different methods with different players to make sure he got the best out of them, but his ability to engage with everyone. The importance of being able to do so, was something that really stuck with me."

Kenny is now playing his trade away from Vicarage Road, but having been born in Watford and grown up a supporter, is there a sense of pride at what he achieved for his home-town club?

"Very much so. It was a bit surreal really, I can remember standing on the terraces with my Dad, watching players like Glenn Hoddle.

"A few years later I was on that same pitch playing against him.

"It was a strange feeling at first, making that transition, but to play for your home-town club, the club you've supported as a youngster, and to help them achieve what we did at that time was just incredible."

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Happy New Year to all our supporters

WITH only 800 away supporters choosing to travel from Manchester to Hertfordshire, the Monday night Vicarage Road crowd of 20,049 represented one of the highest turn-outs from Watford fans for many years.

Clearly buoyed by their team's success in the first half of the season, a noisy, boisterous and expectant crowd met the two sides as they entered the fray, but despite the partisan support, the game began in tedious fashion.

Jimmy Gilligan was making a rare start up front for the home team, but was finding it hard to make anything stick during the early action. He wasn't the only one to suffer; the only notable action of the opening 15 minutes was a Manchester City booking for an over-zealous foul.

The booking proved to be an accurate gauge as to City's game-plan, who targeted Watford's wingers with consistently tough tackles, often going unpunished when the challenge was clearly overly aggressive.

As well as making a mark on their opponents, City were the first to make their mark on the game; a shot deceiving Steve Sherwood, going through his legs before rebounding to safety off the post.

Watford finally began to exert some pressure of their own shortly afterwards, Nigel Callaghan almost embarrassing Joe Corrigan in the City goal, the winger's dipping drive almost beating the goalkeeper who had advanced off his line.

The opening goal came shortly afterwards on 26 minutes: a well-taken Jimmy Gilligan header, connecting perfectly with a raking ball from Wilf Rostron.

City went close to equalizing twice in quick succession, but 10 minutes later Watford extended their lead. John Barnes and then Luther Blissett worked hard to gain possession, before releasing Nigel Callaghan down the wing. His

cross was met with a fine volley from Gilligan who took his and Watford's tally for the night to two.

Gilligan narrowly missed out on an unlikely hat-trick moments later, and the Hornets ended the half as the big crowd had hoped they would start it, with both John Barnes and Steve Sims testing Corrigan in the Citizens' goal.

The second half started badly for the hosts; Steve Sherwood was adjudged to have handled outside his box, and it was only a save of the season contender that stopped the resulting free-kick from halving the deficit.

Watford were denied what appeared to be a cast-iron penalty when Nigel Callaghan

WORST OF THE BUNCH BUT WHO IS COMPLAINING?

WATFORD stumbled into second place with a display Graham Taylor described as "our worst performance at home or years" in the sort of game which opposing manager John Bond claimed: "I have not seen the like in 32 years in football."

In the end the Hornets beat Manchester City 2-0 on Monday night, gaining ample revenge for that undeserved and unnecessary defeat at Maine Road earlier in the season.

And as Watford inched ahead of their rivals in what would appear to be a far from phase after Liverpool, they seemed well closer to the

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Gilligan 26, 37
MANCHESTER CITY 0

WATFORD: Sherwood, Rice, Sims, Bottom, Rostron, Taylor, Jackett, Callaghan, Blissett, Jenkins, Barnes. Substitutes: Johnson did not play.

MANCHESTER CITY: Corrigan, Ransome, McDonald, Reed, Power, Bond, Yusoff, Reeves, Kinsey, Hartford. Referee: J. Martin (Hampshire). Attendance: 20,049.

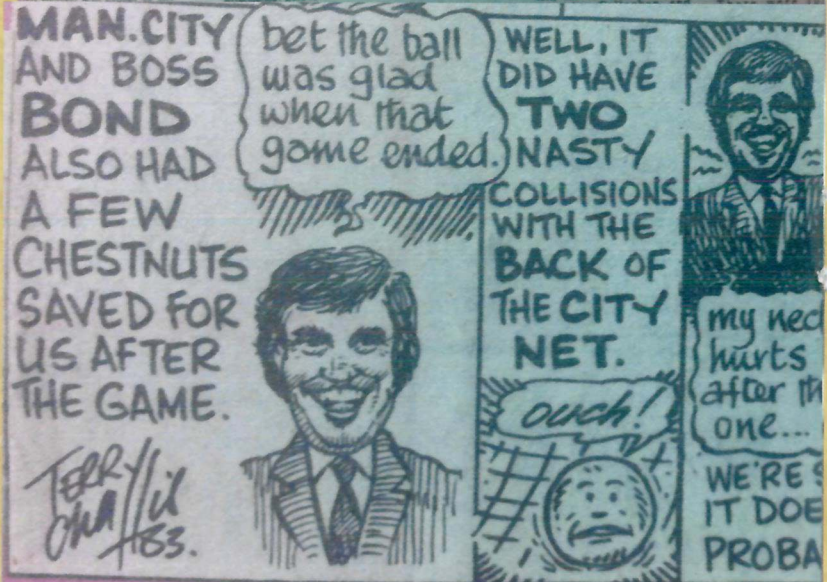
when Kinsey drove the ball across and everyone missed the final touch.

In the 37th minute Watford increased the lead with City's defender Reed, careless in clearing a hopeful forward punt from Barnes. Watford had been under some pressure when Barnes lifted the ball forward. Reed eventually lost out to Blissett's challenge and after Gilligan helped out, Blissett pushed the ball out to Callaghan. The winger moved forward and crossed into the path of Gilligan who beat Corrigan with a volley.

Watford had hardly earned the lead but when Barnes made a fine run down the left, his cross was stopped

belonged to City and a Bond later claimed, should have saved Sherwood however put a magnificent save in Bodak, dropping low to the ball — the sort of duty and one which wider stage would have fazed for months.

The goalkeeper was taken again from the corner, tipping over a ball from McDonald who in stage was lucky to control the field. He had to bring down Callaghan with a cynical tackle but the referee seemed to call it a foul. Three bookings.





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was hauled down by McDonald, and forced a number of goalmouth scrambles as the game entered a frenetic period.

The final 20 minutes of the game belonged to Manchester City, with Steve Sherwood again required to pull off a number of impressive stops, but the visitors couldn't find a way through.

Watford had the three points and climbed to second in the Division One table. This wasn't enough to stop Graham Taylor describing the game as "the worst 2-0 win of my career", however.

"I can't remember when we played as badly at home," he stressed.

"They looked a bit tired, so I have told them to have two days off. Division One is an experience for all of us. Not only is there the level of play, the greater media attention, but there are the physical demands too. It all adds to the pressure."

Taylor's mild criticism was well and truly put in the shade by the Manchester City manager's take on events.

His post-match press conference was littered with expletives, with journalists having to work overtime to create publishable copy from his tirade.

Perhaps predictably, John Bond was criticising Watford's style of play, a tactic so often employed by the ever-increasing list of managers to see their team beaten by the Hornets.

Among his more family-friendly observations was his assertion that "the ball must have been relieved at the final whistle".

"That game felt like it lasted six weeks," he added, with dark irony.

Not that Watford and their supporters will have minded. As Bond complained, the Hornets faithful headed home in the Hertfordshire rain knowing for certain that one thing would be reported in the newspapers the next day...

Watford were in second place.





GT GOES THE EXTRA MILE(S)

IN 1982/83, Watford were well advanced in their quest to earn a reputation for being a family club - and no-one was working harder to establish this than the manager, Graham Taylor.

The Hornets' boss was determined to ensure that families felt safe when coming to football at Vicarage Road and, to further his case, he was willing to go the extra mile. The extra 26.2 miles to be precise...

In January 1983, it was announced that Taylor would be running the London Marathon in a bid to raise \$50,000. It was a sum of money that would allow the club to build

a Family Terrace; a safe standing area for those with children, to be built next to the established Family Enclosure (an area of seating that had been set aside especially for those with youngsters).

Taylor, who had never run a marathon before, explained the reason for his fundraising efforts.

He said: "We have introduced the Family Enclosure very successfully and demand is very high. We don't currently have the facilities to cater for all the demand, and there are probably many fans who can't afford the price. We plan to introduce a special terrace area adjacent to the family seating."

Creating the Family Terrace would

involve new barriers, turnstiles, toilets and refreshment facilities, as well as the erection of fencing to separate the area from the rest of the Vicarage Road End terrace.

It was a major undertaking, but Taylor took to his task with familiar vim and vigour.

"You have to get a few miles under your belt" he said. "The alarm goes off at 6:20am and I'm on the road by 6:30."

On Friday lunchtimes, after the morning training session, I run home from Stanmore, which makes a neat 10-mile training run and also gives me time to think.

"Actually, I quite enjoy it all!"

LEVENE'S SCENE

No.15

Former programme writer **Paul Levene** is back with us, celebrating 40 years following the Hornets with some personal anecdotal reflections...

ACCORDING to my Mum, Ross Jenkins was the supreme craftsman.

Now the only problem with this particular statement is that, in all the years at Vicarage Road, Mrs Levene never saw our former centre-forward in action on the football field.

The Kensington-born striker is a man of many talents, however, and the bathroom and kitchen windows installed a number of years ago at what is affectionately known now as my "country residence" were a testament to Mr Jenkins' off-field talents.

Indeed, in the Home Improvement Oscars, the bookies would have closed the betting long before the day – should such an event ever have taken place.

In many ways, the career of

the original Ross mirrored my own experiences as a Watford supporter. As previously noted in this column, I made my first appearance at Vicarage Road in October 1972, just a few short weeks before the tall striker moved from Crystal Palace to the Hornets. Jenkins home debut was against this afternoon's opponents, Bolton Wanderers, on December 2, and resulted in a 2-1 victory against the eventual Division Three Champions. His only goals that season came in a 5-1 win over Scunthorpe United in March 1973 – the first League win for the Hornets since pre-Christmas. Two weeks later, I saw Ross in action for the first time in a 0-0 draw at home to Chesterfield.

It was The Big Match only for Paul's visual coverage of Watford in the early 1970s, before he started going regularly to games



Ross Jenkins: good at fitting windows as well as scoring goals (just ask Paul's mother!)



The closest I got to watching Watford the following season was on ITV's The Big Match against Huddersfield Town, while Billy Jennings goalscoring exploits in 1973/74 tended to overshadow Jenkins' efforts for the team.

We were both a bit lost in the Vicarage Road wilderness but, by the time I started watching Watford on a more regular basis in 1975/76, the goals had started to flow with Ross notching an average of one every other game.

The arrival of Graham Taylor in 1977 from Lincoln City coincided with the purchase of my first season ticket and first away trips as a supporter – and, of course, the start of the Hornets' climb up the divisions.

Ross scored 45 League goals in two successive promotions, including all four in a home win against Oxford United in September 1978.

At the same time, my 'prolific' goal tally in the school playground earned me the moniker of 'Ross Jenkins' from fellow pupil Lee Evans.

I saw myself more as the little man feeding off the big centre-forward personally, but it was flattering to be linked with the Vicarage Road goal hero.

After a brief move to the Washington Diplomats, Jenkins returned for a swansong as the Hornets finally made it to the top-flight in 1982. Unfortunately, he wasn't able to return for the 30th anniversary dinner back in October, but watching match highlights on the TV screens certainly made up a little for my disappointment.

Mind you, if Mrs L needed any more home renovations, I'm sure he would be straight back out of retirement to oblige!

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Looking back at some more unusual items of Watford memorabilia, narrated by collector Alan Palmer...

TODAY I'M ASKING: DO YOU REMEMBER THE FANTASTIC WATFORD SPORTING CLUB DINNERS FROM THE 1980S?

During the 80s, the club held Sporting Dinners as many as three or four times a year. The dinners, which were incredibly popular, were held at the Ladbroke Mercury Hotel, Elton Way, Watford.

The popularity was largely down to the fantastic guests that used to speak at these events.

I can personally recall Henry Cooper, Stan Mortensen, Peter Robbins, Brian Appleby, Brian Clough, Freddie Trueman, Steve Harrison and many many more.

Away from the above dinners, I also recollect a Celebration Dinner & Dance at the Watford Town Hall in August 1982.

This event was held to honour the promotion of Graham Taylor's side as Division Two runners-up into Division One for the first time in the club's history.

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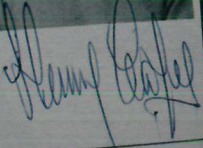
Since retiring from boxing he has proved to be an outstanding and successful businessman and is a very keen golfer, devoting most of his keen playing in Pro-Am and Celebrity Tournaments for a number of charities, the most outstanding being the Variety Club of Great Britain the Golfing Society of which he is the Chairman of the Executive Committee and whose main function is to raise funds for the provision of Sunshine Coaches for under privileged and handicapped children.



Brian Appleby Q.C.

A member of the Nottingham Forest Committee, and former Chairman during a three year spell which saw the Club gain promotion to the First Division followed by major successes in Domestic and European competitions. Forest are the only Football League Club run by a Committee and not by a Board of Directors controlling a Limited Company.

Brian has been a committee man for over 15 years and is a Queen's Councillor and Recorder.



STAN MORTENSEN

A legend in football in his own right. Scorer of 197 League goals in 316 appearances, speaks for itself. In 34 Cap games for his club, he found the net on no less than 31 occasions.

As an England player, his success in front of goal can hardly be rivalled. 28 appearances in the white shirt and 26 goals — the figures speak for themselves.



PETER G. D. ROBBINS

Former captain of Oxford University, Coventry, Honeyey and the Barbarians. He played nineteen times for England between 1956 and 1962 and was a member of the previous side to win the Grand Slam in 1957.



FREDDIE TRUAMAN

Fred Sewards Truaman — Yorkshire's greatest son. Born in 1911 he became one of the finest fast bowlers in cricket history. His 807 wickets for England in 67 tests is still a record, while he claimed 2,804 wickets during a career which spanned 20 years (1949-1969). All the statistics cannot however portray the quality of his play and the colour of his contribution to cricket. Now renowned as a commentator and writer on the game he loves.



STEVE HARRISON

Youth Team coach at Watford F.C. following his retirement from professional football. Began his career with Blackpool before moving abroad to the North American soccer league with Vancouver White Caps. Joined Watford from the Canadian side in October 1979 before being transferred to Charlton in May 1981. He returned to the Club in his present capacity in May 1982.



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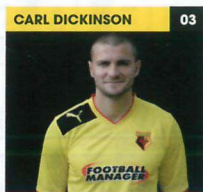
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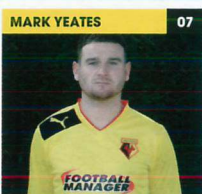
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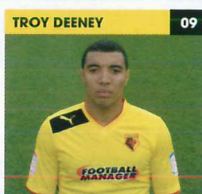
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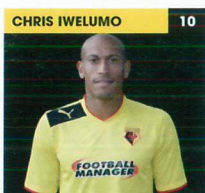
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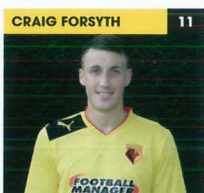
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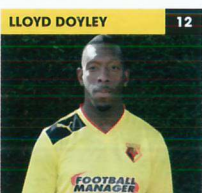
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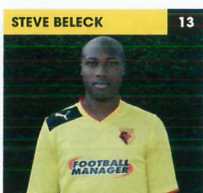
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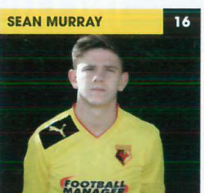
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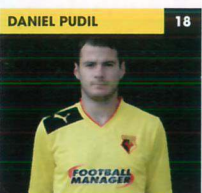
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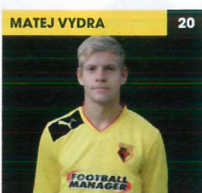
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matchday mascots

Welcome to all our mascots here this afternoon. We hope you have a memorable experience at The Vic!

Noah Campion is eight years old and lives in Bedford. His hobbies include playing Lego, Star Wars and football. Noah's top

Hornets are Manuel Almunia and Matej Vydra. *Score Prediction: 2-1*



Shay Popat will celebrate his seventh birthday on February 7, so congratulations! His hobbies include tennis, cricket and playing football for Chorleywood Dragons FC. Shay's top Hornet is super-stopper Manuel Almunia. *Score Prediction: 2-1*

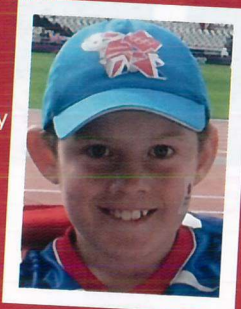


Nine year old **Zac Meyrick** lives in Hertfordshire and tells us that his favourite player is Fernando Forestieri. He is the youngest of

five brothers; he enjoys football, skiing, tennis and beating his brothers at Fifa 13! Zac's His favourite subject at school is Math's and PE. *Score Prediction: 3-1*



Supporting Bolton today is **Charlie Sweeney** who is also celebrating his ninth birthday today so many happy returns! His top players are Chris Eagles, David Ngog and he enjoys playing his DS, X-Box and football. *Score Prediction: 3-2 to Bolton*



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If he's top at the end of this weekend, we'll be featuring some of the would-be table-toppers in the Crystal Palace match programme.

For now, here's an updated top part of the 400-strong table, up to and including last weekend's round of games.



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1	David Bass	469
2	Peter Brown	464
3	Ben Gomm	464
4	Mark Wilson	464
5	Seamus McGee	464
6	Charlie McGee	457
7	Martin Deebank	452
8	Nick Botten	447
9	Geoff Gough	442
10	Andy Holman	437
11	Tim Roberts	435
12	David Gentry	435
13	Marc Williamson	432
14	David Hart	431
15	James Seymour	431
16	Richard Walker	430
17	Drew Thomson	430
18	Graham Spittles	426
19	Matt Turner	426
20	Stuart Pratt	426
21	Henry Cox	425
22	Ethel Simpson	425
23	Mark Lister	424
24	David Camwell	419
25	Paul Weller	419
26	Jenny Weller	419
27	David Barton	417
28	Jonny Popper	416
29	Paul Squire	416
30	Kevin Page	415
31	David Bocock	414
32	Matthew Edwards	413
33	Nicky Bracey	413
34	Pat Duffy	412
35	Owen Thake	412
36	Peter Morgan	412
37	Diane Hall	412
38	Claire Fitzgerald	411
39	David Jacobsen	411
40	Glyn Francis	411
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42	Adam Smith	410
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44	Jane Groom	409
45	Bernie Biggerstaff	408
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47	Barry Charleton	407
48	Matthew Parsons	406
49	Paul Wilson	406
50	Mike Atkins	406
51	Stan Wickham	405
52	Daniel Leahy	405
53	Ben Clarke	404
54	Simon Turner	403
55	Eddie Collett	402
56	Graeme Free	401
57	Len Parker	401
58	Alan Weller	401
59	Robert Johnson	401
60	Ken Dunderdale	401
61	Reg Smith	400
62	Westlie Wheeler	400

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64	Pete Fincham	398
65	Jane Taylor	398
66	Grace Clarke	397
67	Richard Gentry	397
68	Philip Eaton	395
69	Charlie Hancock	395
70	Sophie Roberts	395
71	Stephen Booth	394
72	Derek Mitchell	394
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HARRY HORNET'S BRAIN BUSTERS!

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THE INCREDIBLE HULK

Former Porto and current Zenit St. Petersburg forward Givanildo Vieira de Souza is better known as 'Hulk' and even has the name on the back of his shirt.

But what is the reason behind this nickname?



A: He received his nickname from his father, a fan of the television series The Incredible Hulk.

B: Fans at a Japanese team he played at, Tokyo Verdy, thought he looked like Lou Ferrigno, the Hulk actor. The fact they played in bright green didn't help!

C: He has had a Hulk tattoo on his arm since he was a young man as he says it gives him strength.

BLAST FROM THE PAST



On May 3rd 1958, today's visitors Bolton Wanderers won 2-0 in the FA Cup Final.

- Who did they beat in the final?

- Which England International scored both Bolton's goals that day?

- What disaster just three months earlier had left Bolton's opponents team with a weakened team?

Last Issue's Answers:

Harry's Tricky Teaser: Other than Huddersfield Town, the nine other teams with 'Town' in their name are... Ipswich, Swindon, Crawley, Yeovil, Shrewsbury, Cheltenham, Northampton, Fleetwood and Aldershot.

Footy Anthems: 1. Chas and Dave performed their song 'Ossie's Dream' with Tottenham Hotspurs.

2. The song was released in 1981. 3. The song reached number 5 in the charts.

HARRY'S PREDICTION: HORNETS 3 - BOLTON WANDERERS 2

FANFARE

Rich Mortimer

This week, a warm welcome to Richard Mortimer, an Upper Rous Hornet with more than 40 years' service...

I saw my first game in 1972 – the FA Cup tie against Guildford City. We were losing at half-time but ran them ragged with a few goals in the second half and I was hooked.

Subsequently, I was always begging my dad to take me whenever the Golden Boys were at home and it's funny to think that had we lost that game I may never have come again as all my school friends supported Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester United (they thought I was mad!).

Dad and I started coming regularly in the 1976/77 season, Mike Keen's last.

In those days we were pretty much invincible at home and things got even better when GT arrived. Amazingly, I saw about 40 games before we lost.

Around then I started to go to away games, travelling on the supporters coaches and the odd 'football special' train.

Nigel Callaghan had been in the year above me at St. Michael's and it was amazing to see him playing for Watford and having a big impact.

I now sit with my son David (10). Most of his friends support Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester United. Some things don't change!

So what are your stand-out memories?

I've an unfortunate and frustrating habit of missing the most significant games. The 8-0 against Sunderland (at Uni), the 7-1 against Southampton (on

holiday), the 1999 Play-Off Final against Bolton (mum unwell).

But, like many, most of my best memories are from the glory days of the 1980s such as that special moment in May 1982 when we beat Wrexham 2-0 to reach the top-flight for the first time.

Did you make pitch and pond?

Of course! The thrill of clambering over the Rookery wall and onto the pitch at the end to celebrate and then of course in the pond was unbeatable and sadly unrepeatable...you can't do that now.

Well, we'll see!

Earlier that same season, my first trip to Stamford Bridge was a happy day. A 3-1 victory (which I think was John Barnes' first start for us) was the first serious indication that the team was on the cusp of something special.

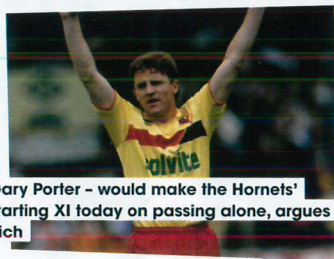
My favourite game from that period remains the 1987 3-1 FA Cup quarter-final win at Highbury. I was at the front of the Clock End terrace that day and I'm pretty sure I can make myself out in the blurred images on YouTube, as Luther celebrates the third goal in front of the Watford fans.

More recently, there is the Play-Off victory over Leeds. David was too young to come but he had his picture taken with the trophy and remains hooked!

And down the years, who would be the ones you'd try and squeeze into today's side?

I'm sure Wilf Rostron would have

Rich Mortimer



Gary Porter – would make the Hornets' starting XI today on passing alone, argues Rich



Duncan Welbourne got a rare goal during Rich's Watford debut: the 1972 FA Cup win v Guildford City

made a brilliant wing back in a 3-5-2. He'd be worth millions today. And, in central midfield, Gary Porter; one of the best passers I've ever seen in a Watford shirt.

Indeed they would. Wilf's comedy 'tache would certainly set him apart from the current crop of well-groomed player. Thanks for your time Richard. Keep the faith.

If you'd like to feature in 'FanFare' during this season, or you'd like to nominate a friend or family member, drop Pete Fincham a line via programme@watfordfc.com with your nominated person along with contact details for both yourself and them.



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FAMILY AFFAIR FOR JUSTIN AT 40!

It's a happy 40th birthday to Justin Newton, a life-long fan whose love for Watford hasn't diminished despite living in Suffolk these days.

Married to Nastonia, who is from an Ipswich-supporting family, it was clear who baby son Cody James would be supporting - even before his birth, as you can see!

The family photo is of Justin (far right) with his daughter Georgia, brother Jonathan and his sons William and Tomas, all ready for the match.

And, of course, there's the obligatory embarrassing childhood photo of the birthday boy when he was aged just seven - in his 1980s replica kit.

Congratulations Justin, here's to keeping the Watford family strong!



SPECIAL HORNET STEVE HITS 60

Enjoying some matchday hospitality with family and friends today, Steve Hanwell is celebrating his 60th birthday at The Vic this afternoon.

Steve's been in remission from cancer for around six months now and is delighted to be back watching his beloved Golden Boys - who he's followed since his debut in 1965 - both home & away this season.

He had to follow Watford via Hornets Player last year, while battling for better health, so donated his season ticket to a friend (not his only act of generosity towards his Rookery 'family' over the years).

Today it's all about you, Steve. Have a fantastic day with us and let's hope those Golden Boys can mark your big 6-0 in style!



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WEARING YELLOW? THAT'S THE GOLDEN RULE!

Thanks to Hornets' fan Roy White, a part of Japanese amateur football will be tinged with Watford yellow in the future. The Golden Rule FC, a local team in Tokyo that Roy played for during a work assignment in Japan, were won over on Watford to the extent of a new kit from last year's end-of-season sale.

And the result? Part of Japan that will forever enjoy Roy's Hornets' influence!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY JAKE!

Many happy returns to Jake Tabor, who recently turned 10 years old, and is pictured here all wrapped up in his Hornets' flag ready to make the trip to Manchester City for the FA Cup tie.

He's been coming to Watford games since he was five and is passionate about playing too; turning out on Sundays for Bushey & Oxhey FC.

Love on your birthday Jake, comes from Mum, Dad and Noah!



ALEX'S AWAY DEBUT

A very proud Hornet here, is young Alex Harewood. Up and dressed in his Watford colours at 6.30am for his away debut at Manchester City, Alex arrived early at The Etihad and was delighted to get this photo of himself.

JOHN GARRETT

The Hornets were saddened to learn of the death of long-standing supporter John Garrett, aged 81, on Wednesday January 16.

He supported Watford for 55 years and was a season ticket holder for 35 years.

John sat in the East Stand for most of this time, and the Shrodells before that.

He rarely missed a home match and loved Watford FC, along with all the Garrett family. Ill health prevented him attending games recently.

He will be greatly missed by us all.



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Having finished tracing the FA Cup, *putajumperon* has now gone in search of all the football movers and shakers that share the year of Watford's birth...

GROUNDHOG



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Scottish Football League
Division Three

v Elgin City,

at Hampden Park
Saturday November 24,
2012, 3pm

Admission: £12

Programme: £2

Attendance: 466

Distance: 387 miles

"IT reeks of nostalgia"
exclaimed Queen's Park
FC Supporters Association
secretary Keith McAllister,
holding up a club tie.

Outside, players were warming up but, under the South Stand, the welcoming double act of Keith & Libby was in full swing in the club shop.

Addressing folk by name, they painted a wonderful picture where customers are still supporters, first and foremost.

Eventually leaving them, I headed for my "anywhere you like" seat in with the home support.

Without the need for



handshakes, Queen's Park soon went behind when Elgin's Stewart Leslie slotted home from close-range.

As fans' encouragement echoed around the cavernous ground and the minutes passed, the game evened out.

Just before the interval, superb build-up by Paul McGin and Michael Keenan allowed Andy Robertson to rifle a low equalizer from outside the box.

The Specials "enjoyed

themselves" in unison with the crowd. A great goal followed by great music; really what could be better? (As it would turn out, not the second half.)

Despite witnessing more goal attempts at both ends, the scoreline remained even. Content watching the football, I realized the match was a sideshow amid something far grander.

My day had started with a fascinating guided tour of Linthouse (home of a now

DOPPING 1881



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defunct 1881 team), Govan (home of Alex Ferguson), and Ibrox (home of Queen's Park's original and current local rivals), before arriving in the city centre where – amongst festive shoppers – fantastic street music filled the sun-kissed air. Then, after lunch, I took the bus out to Mount Florida; the home of the three Hampden Parks.

Founded in 1867, Queen's Park is the oldest club in Scotland. Their first ground, by Hampden Terrace, was vacated for railway expansion; the second is still visible in Cathkin Park. In 1903, the third 'Hampden Park' was the biggest in the world.

Though the current capacity is below the 149,415 record attendance, the stadium is leased out for the national side and cup finals. It is also home to the enthralling Scottish Football Museum.

To the west of the stadium sits 'Lesser Hampden'; a 3G pitch which is home to this family club's community schemes. Both facilities will become integral to the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

Ground building aside, Queen's Park is equally important to the history of football in general. The club were instrumental in developing the modern passing game and at the centre of establishing the SFA. They also organized the first-ever international fixture between Scotland and England.

As the entire Scottish team came from Queen's Park they wore their club's navy & white, which was subsequently



adopted by the national side; in 1873 Queen's Park replaced their kit with the black & white hoops worn today.

As well as competing for early FA Cups, Queen's Park won the 1881 Scottish Cup Final captained by Andrew Watson, the first black player. They've won countless honours and their dominance only waned once Scottish football turned away from their amateur world.

To this day Queens's Park are a lone amateur side in a professional world. Their motto *Ludere Causa Ludendi* – to play for the sake of playing – still rings true.

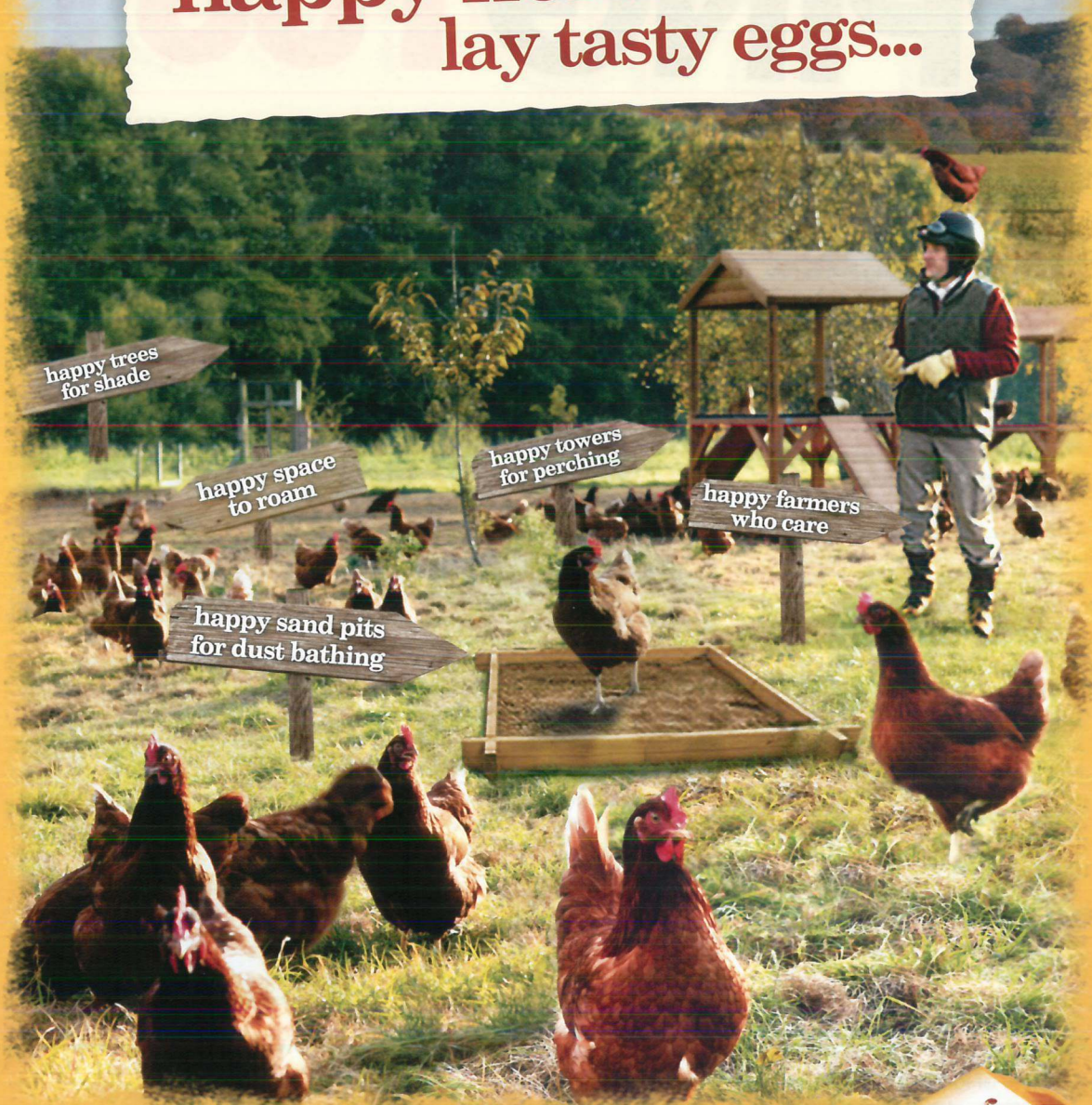
Many wanted to discuss Malky, Fergie, Reilly and Johnston but, in my dealings with Keith & Libby, the generous Robbie Cant, an engaging Malky Mackay (snr) and countless other staff and supporters, it was clear that pride is at the heart of their relationship with their



club.

Foreign fans come to Queen's Park, I was told, because they're "a little bit special". They might not compete financially with the city's big teams but – 145 years after the nostalgic words "Tonight at half past eight o'clock a number of gentlemen met at No. 3 Eglinton Terrace for the purpose of forming a football club" – the city of Glasgow still has a breathtakingly great side worthy of immense honour.

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Meet The Scholar

Today, first-year

RYAN HOPE



Q How did you get to be involved with Watford initially?

A I've been with the club since Under-9, after I got scouted at a seven-a-side summer football tournament while I was playing for Ruislip Rangers – my local team. I started training at St. Clement Danes in midweeks and I eventually got offered a six-week trial period so it went from there.

Q Your main position?

A Central midfield, these days.

Q These days? Did you used to line up elsewhere in the team, then?

A When I was about Under-12 or Under-13 age group, I think, I was playing centre-back. I played midfield in one or two pre-season games and then I found myself in that position from then on. To be fair, I've played centre-back a few times this season and it's good experience. Midfield is definitely a more demanding position though!

Q Are there too many labels put on midfielders in the modern game?

A Probably, yeah. In the 18s, we've tended to play a central three and rotate in there, to try and find pockets of space – so no one is playing a defensive or attacking role all the time, it doesn't work like that. We train to be flexible, to press high up the pitch when we haven't got the ball and to find more freedom to get on the ball in different areas of the pitch with three of us in there.

People describe players as just sitting midfielders or something,

but they're not really looking closely enough at how teams are playing.

Q Who do you particularly watch on the TV that plays in your position?

A Now that's he back from injury, Jack Wilshere. He's a very versatile player; he can do any job in there really. He does the basics very well – like passing, tackling, running with the ball – and he's a big talent.

Q So you're another Gooner in the ranks?

A Yes, there's quite a few of us in the full-time scholars. I've got a season ticket with my Dad but I don't always get to go because my football here comes first.

Q How have you found the

first few months as a full-time scholar?

A A challenge – but good. There are good disciplines; you've got to behave like a professional footballer all the time at UCL because of the people you're around. That helps focus you on doing the right things all the time, working hard, which is the habits we picked up being at The Harefield Academy every day.

Q Have you had a little experience with the senior training sessions?

A I've trained a few times with them and I've enjoyed it. In fact, I've played once or twice in some friendly games – like against QPR and Wycombe. The more time you spend in that group, the better your chances in the long-term I think.



Jack Wilshere – his versatility is admired by Ryan

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Fixtures & Results 2012/13

Date	Opponents	Res.	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6
SAT AUG 25	CRAWLEY TOWN	W	3-2	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	HOPE	O'CONNOR	JOHNSON
SAT SEP 01	MILTON KEYNES DONS	W	3-0	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	KYPRIANOU	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT SEP 08	GILLINGHAM	D	2-2	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT SEP 15	DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE	W	6-2	WILKS	CROWLEY	DOHERTY	COX 2	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT SEP 22	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	W	3-0	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
TUE SEP 25	GILLINGHAM (YA CUP)	W	2-1	WILKS	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	COX	WILLMORE 1	JOHNSON
SAT SEP 29	STEVENAGE	D	3-3	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	COX	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT OCT 06	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	W	4-2	SCHOTTERL	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
TUE OCT 09	SOUTHEND UNITED (YA CUP)	D	1-1	WILKS	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT OCT 13	DAG & RED	L	0-3	SCHOTTERL	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	BYERS	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT OCT 20	LUTON TOWN	W	3-0	WILKS	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT OCT 27	LEYTON ORIENT (YA CUP)	W	2-0	WILKS	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT NOV 03	STEVENAGE	L	0-1	SCHOTTERL	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT NOV 10	ALDERSHOT TOWN	W	2-0	SCHOTTERL	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	BYERS	YOUNG	JOHNSON
SAT NOV 17	LUTON TOWN	L	1-2	WILKS	CROWLEY	BARNUM-BOBB	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
WED NOV 28	LEEDS UNITED (FAYC R3)	L	0-4	WILKS	BARNUM-BOBB	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
TUE DEC 04	ST. ALBANS CITY (HSC2)	L	1-2	WILKS	CROWLEY	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	HAMILTON
SAT JAN 12	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	W	3-2	WILKS	WILLMORE	DOHERTY	HOPE	KYPRIANOU	JOHNSON
TUE JAN 15	PORTSMOUTH	D	2-2	SCHOTTERL	CROWLEY	DOHERTY	HOPE	WILLMORE	JOHNSON
SAT JAN 19	SOUTHEND UNITED (YA CUP QF)	P-P							
TUE JAN 22	LEYTON ORIENT	P-P							
SAT JAN 26	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	P-P							
SAT FEB 02	SOUTHEND UNITED	10.30AM							
SAT FEB 09	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	10.30AM							
SAT FEB 16	MILTON KEYNES DONS	10.45AM							
SAT FEB 23									
SAT MAR 02									
SAT MAR 09	LEYTON ORIENT	10.30AM							
SAT MAR 16									
SAT MAR 30	AFC WIMBLEDON	10.30AM							



Key - First player subbed/first sub used, Second player subbed/second sub used, Third player subbed/third sub used

Goalscorer 1 number scored. **HOME GAMES SHOWN IN BOLD**

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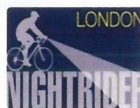
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A CLEVER ONLINE WAY TO SUPPORT WATFORD FC'S COMMUNITY TRUST FOR FREE...



Watford FC's Community Sports & Education Trust (self-financing & registered charity No: 1102239) has launched a charitable initiative which enables you to support the Trust's projects for free.

The Trust is delighted to team up with 'Give4Sure' which aims to raise money for the Trust whenever you shop at your favourite online retailers – all at no extra cost to you.

We need your help in order to support the Trust's continued work of 35 different projects across Hertfordshire and in some London Boroughs, engaging with thousands of young people (4-19 years old), disabled and adults (50+).

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Just download this clever app from click4watford.com, shop as normal and every penny you spend online will generate an automatic donation.

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Download the app now from www.click4watford.com and help the £s continue to build for Watford FC's Community Trust

Go on, be part of something special and help to change people's lives!

When you search online using any search engine, retailers ready to donate will be highlighted in red. You buy and the app will collect the donation from the retailer and send it to Watford FC's Community Trust.

This app has not been implemented on smart phones or iPad yet, but is coming soon.

This is a non-intrusive initiative and we can assure you we do NOT collect any data beyond monitoring the charitable donations. If you have any questions or need help with installing, just call the locally-based Give4Sure free Technical Advice Line on 020 8953 7933.

MATCHDAY MASCOT OLIVER

Joining our four other mascots today (see page 54), it's Hornets' fan **Oliver Atkins**, who is seven years of age. His hobbies include rugby and playing for both Northwood FC and Watford FC's Trust Player Development Centre. Oliver's top Hornets are Matej Vydra and John Eustace. *Score prediction: 2-0.*



TICKET INFORMATION



HOME TICKETS



V CRYSTAL PALACE

npower CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday February 8, 2013, 7.45pm
Venue: Vicarage Road Stadium

TICKET PRICES:

Rookery / Lower Rous / Vicarage Road

£26 Adult
£15 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£1 Under-16*

Upper Rous:

£31 Adult
£18 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£1 Under-16*

Wheelchair Area – Rookery / Vicarage Road:

£15 Adult
£5 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£1 Under-16*

All with carer free of charge

Wheelchair Area – Lower Rous:

£26 Adult
£15 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£1 Under-16*

All with carer free of charge

Booking fee per ticket: online 50p, phone £1

TICKETS ARE ON SALE TO FANS WITH A RECORD HELD ON THE CLUB'S SALES DATABASE

*When bought with a full-paying adult ticket

HOME TICKETS



V DERBY COUNTY

npower CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday February 23, 2013, 3pm
Vicarage Road Stadium

TICKET PRICES:

Rookery / Lower Rous / Vicarage Road

£26 Adult
£15 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£10 Under-16
£5 Under-16 in Vicarage Road*

*When bought with a full-paying adult ticket

Upper Rous:

£31 Adult
£18 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£13 Under-16

Wheelchair Area – Rookery / Vicarage Road:

£15 Adult
£5 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19) / Under-16
All with carer free of charge

Wheelchair Area – Lower Rous:

£26 Adult
£15 Over-65 / Student / Young Adult (16-19)
£10 Under-16

All with carer free of charge

Booking fee per ticket: online 50p, phone £1

TICKETS ARE ON GENERAL SALE

AWAY TICKETS



V BIRMINGHAM CITY

npower CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday February 16, 2012, 3pm
St. Andrew's, Birmingham B9 4RL

TICKET PRICES:

£18 Adult
£12 Senior (65+)** / Student**
£7 16-18 years**
£1 Under-16*

Wheelchair & Ambulant Disabled as above (with carer free of charge)

*Not available online. Juniors under 14 years of age must be accompanied by a full-paying adult.

** Please have proof of concessionary status with you on matchday, or you will be asked to pay to upgrade to an Adult ticket

Booking fee per ticket: online 50p, phone £1

Official Coach Travel: Coaches depart from Greenhill Crescent at 11.30am and from Vicarage Road at 11.35am. Places cost £22 and must be booked in advance.

For more information on any of the above prices, or for Wheelchair/Disabled tickets, please call our Ticket Office on 0844 856 1881.

TICKETS ARE ON GENERAL SALE

AWAY TICKETS



V IPSWICH TOWN

npower CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday February 19, 2012, 7.45pm
Portman Road, Ipswich IP1 2DA

ADVANCE TICKET PRICES – UPPER TIER:

£31 Adult
£22 Senior (Over-60) / Student / 16-19 years
£11 Under-16

ADVANCE TICKET PRICES – LOWER TIER (FAMILY ENCLOSURE):

Not available online. Max. two adults to one junior ratio.
£26 Adult
£18 Senior (Over-60) / 16-19 year olds
£8 Under-16
Wheelchair £18 (with carer free of charge)

Matchday Ticket Prices: Note that there is an increase of £1 for Under-16 and £2.50 for all other categories when paying on matchday.

Booking fee per ticket: online 50p, phone £1

Official Coach Travel: Coaches depart from Greenhill Crescent at 4.00pm and from Vicarage Road at 4.05pm. Places cost £20 and must be booked in advance. For more information on any of the above prices, or for Wheelchair/Disabled tickets, please call our Ticket Office on 0844 856 1881.

TICKETS ARE ON GENERAL SALE

TICKETING STUFF YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Tickets for all matches can be bought by phone on 0844 856 1881 or online at watfordfc.com

Home match tickets can also be bought by visiting the Hornets Shop in Occupation Road or the Customer Information desk in THE HARLEQUIN CENTRE.



• Unless otherwise stated, tickets for all matches can be bought by phone on 0844 856 1881 or online at watfordfc.com. Booking fee charges apply (per ticket): online 50p, phone £1

• As last season, cash turnstiles will NOT be in operation, you are

encouraged to book in advance wherever possible

• Please note that the Ticket Office is not open on the weekend of an away game. Please call the ticket office by 12pm the day before a match should you not receive your away tickets. Issues regarding any fixture cannot be dealt with once the game has taken place

WATFORD FC FIRST TEAM PLAYER STATISTICS 2012-13
UPTO & INCLUDING TUESDAY JANUARY 29, 2013 V BRISTOL CITY

	Championship			Capital One Cup			FA Cup			2012/13 Total			Watford Career		
	App	Sub	Gl	App	Sub	Gl	App	Sub	Gl	App	Sub	Gl	App	Sub	Gl
01 Almunia	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0
02 Hodson	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	83	8	1
03 Dickinson	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	44	1	2
04 Eustace	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	154	13	15
05 Taylor	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	91	4	10
05 Neuton	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	2	0	7	2	0
06 Hall	15	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	2	1	15	2	1
07 Yeates	15	7	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	16	7	3	46	13	6
08 Hogg	22	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	24	2	0	65	2	0
09 Deeney	17	6	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	18	6	12	69	41	27
10 Iwelumo	4	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	4	1	25	23	5
11 Forsyth	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	19	6	5
12 Doyley	14	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	16	3	1	354	35	2
13 Beleck	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	1	5	0
14 Jenkins	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	78	17	2
15 McGinn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	13	2
16 Murray	8	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	6	1	27	8	8
17 Bennett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	10	0
18 Pudil	25	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	26	0	1	26	0	1
19 Buaben	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	10	1
20 Vydra	16	9	18	1	1	0	1	0	0	18	10	18	18	10	18
21 Anya	3	7	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	7	2	4	7	2
22 Abadi	22	1	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	23	2	6	23	2	6
23 Mingoa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	1
24 Whichelow	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	19	3
25 Garner	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	18	9	1
26 Assombalonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
27 Cassetti	21	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	22	2	0	22	2	0
28 Smith	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	2	5	0
29 Thompson	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	9	5	1
30 Bond	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0
31 Hoban	18	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	2	18	1	2
32 Tumwa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33 Nosworthy	11	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	13	0	0	47	0	2
34 Bonham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 Hamilton-Forbes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36 Geljo	6	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	7	2	6	7	2
37 Mujangia Bia	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	1	3	0
38 Battocchio	4	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	6	1	4	6	1
39 Chalobah	20	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	21	2	2	21	2	2
40 Ekstrand	15	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	16	2	0	16	2	0
41 Forestieri	13	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	3	3	14	3	3
42 Fanchone	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

WATFORD FC ACADEMY UNDER-18 TEAM
FOOTBALL LEAGUE YOUTH ALLIANCE
SOUTH-EAST & FA YOUTH CUP
FIXTURES & RESULTS 2012/13

DATE	OPPONENTS	RES.	SCORE
Sat Aug 25	Crawley Town	W	3-2
Sat Sep 01	Milton Keynes Dons	W	3-0
Sat Sep 08	Gillingham	D	2-2
Sat Sep 15	Dag & Red	W	6-2
Sat Sep 22	Peterborough United	W	3-0
Tue Sep 25	Gillingham (YA Cup)	W	2-1
Sat Sep 29	Stevenage	D	3-3
Sat Oct 06	Northampton Town	W	4-2
Tue Oct 09	Southend United (YA Cup)	D	1-1
Sat Oct 13	Dag & Red (YA Cup)	L	0-3
Sat Oct 20	Luton Town	W	3-0
Sat Oct 27	Leyton Orient (YA Cup)	W	2-0
Sat Nov 03	Stevenage	L	0-1
Sat Nov 10	Aldershot Town	W	2-0
Sat Nov 17	Luton Town	L	0-1
Wed Nov 28	Leeds United (FAYC3)	L	0-4
Tue Dec 04	St Albans City (HSC2)	L	1-2
Sat Jan 12	Peterborough United	W	3-2
Tue Jan 15	Portsmouth	D	2-2
Sat Jan 19	Southend United (YA Cup QF)		P-P
Tue Jan 22	Leyton Orient		P-P
Sat Jan 26	AFC Bournemouth		P-P
Sat Feb 02	Southend United		10.30am
Sat Feb 09	Northampton Town		10.30am
Sat Feb 16	Milton Keynes Dons		10.45am
Tue Feb 19	Dag & Red		1pm
Sat Feb 23			
Sat Mar 02			
Sat Mar 09	Leyton Orient		10.30am
Sat Mar 16			
Sat Mar 30	AFC Wimbledon		10.30am

All home games will be played at UCL London Colney,ko 10.30am.

Fixtures are subject to late change and postponement. Check watfordfc.com before travelling.

WATFORD FC FIRST-TEAM
DETAILED NPPOWER CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE TABLE UPTO & INC. THURSDAY JANUARY 31, 2013

TEAM	P	HOME					AWAY					GD	PTS
		W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
1 Cardiff City	28	12	1	1	25	8	7	2	5	25	22	+20	60
2 Leicester City	28	10	2	2	33	11	5	3	6	16	12	+26	50
3 Hull City	28	8	2	4	21	14	7	3	4	18	17	+8	50
4 Watford	29	7	2	5	24	15	8	2	5	32	24	+17	49
5 Crystal Palace	29	8	5	1	33	16	5	4	6	17	20	+14	48
6 Middlesbrough	28	10	1	3	29	16	5	1	8	18	23	+8	47
7 Brighton & HA	28	5	6	3	20	13	5	6	3	20	17	+10	42
8 Burnley	29	7	4	4	23	16	5	2	7	21	26	+2	42
9 Millwall	29	7	2	5	20	17	4	6	5	20	23	0	41
10 Nottingham Forest	29	7	4	4	21	19	3	7	4	18	21	-1	41
11 Leeds United	28	9	2	3	20	17	3	3	8	19	27	-5	41
12 Charlton Athletic	29	4	5	6	20	23	6	4	4	19	17	-1	39
13 Derby County	28	7	5	2	30	17	3	3	8	12	24	+1	38
14 Blackpool	29	4	6	4	25	19	5	4	6	22	24	+4	37
15 Blackburn Rovers	28	6	2	6	16	17	3	8	3	22	20	+1	37
16 Huddersfield Town	29	5	6	4	19	19	4	3	7	14	29	-15	36
17 Bolton Wanderers	28	6	5	3	21	15	2	5	7	19	26	-1	34
18 Birmingham City	29	4	5	5	18	22	4	5	6	20	24	-8	34
19 Wolverhampton W	29	4	5	6	18	22	5	1	8	16	19	-7	33
20 Sheffield Wednesday	29	4	2	8	16	25	5	3	7	17	19	-11	32
21 Ipswich Town	29	3	5	6	17	22	5	3	7	12	29	-22	32
22 Barnsley	29	4	4	7	14	19	3	3	8	17	25	-13	28
23 Bristol City	29	5	2	8	28	34	3	2	9	14	22	-14	28
24 Peterborough United	28	4	1	9	22	29	4	1	9	17	23	-13	26

Play-off dates: Semi-finals 1st Leg May 9-12, 2nd Leg May 13-15. Final May 27.

KEY

● Starting 11 | ●¹ Goalscorer and number scored
 ● Substitute | ●, Playing substitute and number of player replaced | A After extra time

* Opponent's own goal

Out on loan | No longer with club
 Home games shown in **BOLD** type

NPOWER CHAMPIONSHIP AT-A-GLANCE

TEAM	P	GD	PTS
1 Cardiff City	28	+20	60
2 Leicester City	28	+26	50
3 Hull City	28	+8	50
4 Watford	29	+17	49
5 Crystal Palace	29	+14	48
6 Middlesbrough	28	+8	47
7 Brighton & HA	28	+10	42
8 Burnley	29	+2	42
9 Millwall	29	0	41
10 Nottingham Forest	29	-1	41
11 Leeds United	28	-5	41
12 Charlton Athletic	29	-1	39
13 Derby County	28	+1	38
14 Blackpool	29	+4	37
15 Blackburn Rovers	28	+1	37
16 Huddersfield Town	29	-15	36
17 Bolton Wanderers	28	-1	34
18 Birmingham City	29	-8	34
19 Wolverhampton W	29	-7	33
20 Sheffield Wednesday	29	-11	32
21 Ipswich Town	29	-22	32
22 Barnsley	29	-13	28
23 Bristol City	29	-14	28
24 Peterborough United	28	-13	26

TODAY'S OTHER CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

(3pm unless stated)

Birmingham City v Nottingham Forest

Blackburn Rovers v Bristol City

Blackpool v Barnsley

Crystal Palace v Charlton Athletic

Derby County v Huddersfield Town

Ipswich Town v Middlesbrough

Leeds United v Cardiff City (12.30pm)

Millwall v Hull City

Peterborough United v Burnley

Sheffield Wednesday v Brighton & Hove Albion

Played Thursday night:

Leicester City v Wolverhampton Wanderers

WATFORD FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

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ROY SINCLAIR

Watford FC was saddened to learn of the recent death of its former player Roy Sinclair, aged 68.

Seasoned Hornets' fans will no doubt recall vividly Roy's winner for Ken Furphy's side at home to Plymouth Argyle in mid-April 1969, a goal in front of over 22,000 fans which secured Watford Division Two status for the first time in the club's history.

A midfielder by trade, Roy signed at Vicarage Road from Tranmere Rovers and ended his English Football League career back on the Wirral before settling in the USA via a transfer into the North American Soccer League.

He played 46 times for Watford, scoring three goals – the second of which ensuring his place in club folklore.





WATFORD

Head Coach **Gianfranco Zola**

BOLTON WANDERERS

Manager **Dougie Freedman**

					Age	2012/13 apps (gls)	Joined from	
Manuel Almunia	01		Referee: James Adcock	01	Ádám Bogdán	25	28 + 0 (0)	Vasas (2009)
Lee Hodson	02			02	Tyrone Mears	29	23 + 2 (0)	Burnley (2011)
Carl Dickinson	03			03	Marcos Alonso	22	12 + 1 (2)	Real Madrid (2010)
John Eustace	04		Assistant: John Hopkins	04	Matt Mills	26	16 + 1 (1)	Leicester (2012)
Neuton	05			05	Tim Ream	25	13 + 2 (0)	New York RB (2012)
Fitz Hall	06			06				
Mark Yeates	07		Assistant: Mark Russell	07	Chris Eagles	27	30 + 2 (7)	Burnley (2011)
Jonathan Hogg	08			08	Keith Andrews	32	24 + 3 (4)	West Brom (2011)
Troy Deeney	09			09	David N'Gog	23	12 + 7 (4)	Liverpool (2011)
Chris Iwelumo	10		Assistant: Mark Russell	10				
Craig Forsyth	11			11	Gregg Wylde	21	0 + 0 (0)	Rangers (2012)
Lloyd Doyley	12			12	Zaf Knight	32	29 + 0 (0)	Aston Villa (2011)
Steve Beleck	13		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	13				
Ross Jenkins	14			14	Kevin Davies	35	25 + 5 (6)	Southampton (2003)
Stephen McGinn	15			15	Craig Dawson	22	0 + 0 (0)	West Brom (loan)
Sean Murray	16		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	16	Mark Davies	24	21 + 0 (5)	Wolves (2009)
	17			17	Benik Afobe	19	7 + 16 (3)	Arsenal (loan)
Daniel Pudil	18			18	Sam Ricketts	31	19 + 1 (0)	Hull (2009)
Prince Buaben	19		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	19	Marvin Sordell	21	6 + 7 (5)	Watford (2012)
Matej Vydra	20			20	Jay Spearing	24	24 + 1 (1)	Liverpool (loan)
Ikechi Anya	21			21	Darren Pratley	27	9 + 9 (0)	Swansea (2011)
Almen Abdi	22		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	22	Stuart Holden	27	0 + 2 (0)	Houston D. (2010)
Piero Mingoia	23			23	Joe Riley	21	2 + 0 (0)	Academy
Matt Whichelow	24			24	Andy Loneragan	29	4 + 0 (0)	Leeds (2012)
	25		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	25	Josh Vela	19	3 + 1 (0)	Academy
Britt Assombalonga	26			26	Robert Lainton	23	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Marco Cassetti	27			27	Chung-Yong Lee	24	18 + 8 (5)	FC Seoul (2009)
Connor Smith	28		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	28	Craig Davies	27	0 + 1 (0)	Barnsley (2013)
Adam Thompson	29			29	Ján Greguš	21	0 + 0 (0)	B Ostrava (loan)
Jonathan Bond	30			30	Michael O'Halloran	22	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Tommie Hoban	31		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	31	David Wheat	25	0 + 0 (0)	M'borough (2011)
Aaron Tumwa	32			32	Tom Eaves	21	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Nyron Nosworthy	33			33	Adam Blakeman	21	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Jack Bonham	34		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	34	Jay Lynch	19	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Stephan Hamilton-Forbes	35			35	Joe McKee	20	0 + 0 (0)	Burnley (2012)
Alex Geijo	36			36				
Geoffrey Mujangi Bia	37		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	37	Jack Sampson	19	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Cristian Battocchio	38			38	Sanmi Odelusi	19	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Nathaniel Chalobah	39			39	Alex McQuade	20	0 + 0 (0)	Academy
Joel Ekstrand	40		Fourth Official: Ian Rathbone	40				
Fernando Forestieri	41			41	Chris Lester	17	0 + 0 (0)	Academy

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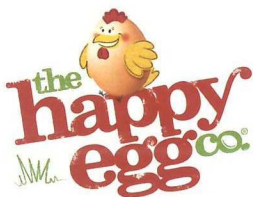
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PORTERS PARK GOLF CLUB

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